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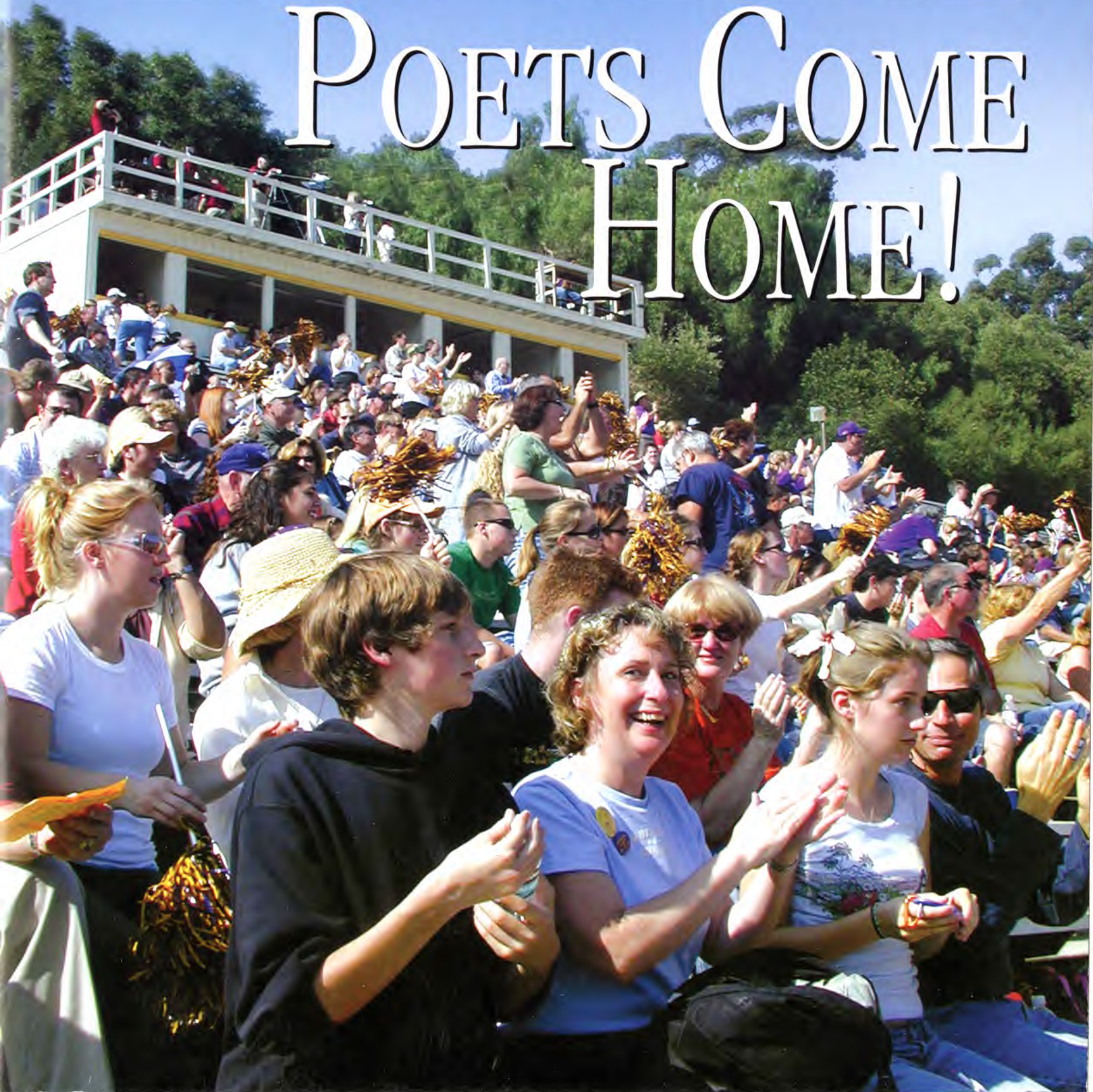
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POETS COME HOME!



"And The POET Goes To..."



The Alumni Association Board of Directors is calling for nominations for the **2005 Poet Awards**. This year's honorees will be recognized during Whittier Weekend at the Poet Awards Gala on Friday, September 30.

ALUMNI AWARD CATEGORIES:

- **Alumni Service**, for extensive service to the College since graduation;
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For more information call the Alumni Office at (562) 907-4222.

ALL NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 31!

Join The Traveling Poets

There are multiple opportunities for Poet Travels planned for 2005. First up is Whittier Winery Weekend in California's Central Coast, March 11-13. Trip highlights include gourmet dinner at Robert Hall Winery and visit to Pretty Penny Vineyard, owned and operated by Poet Bob Brown '62. Cost is \$295 per person, double occupancy. For details on this and other Poet Travels, please call the Alumni Office, (562) 907-4222 or email alumni@whittier.edu.



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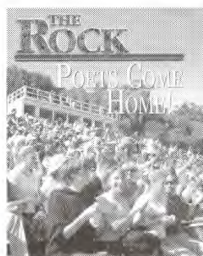
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Poets crowd the stands for the 2004 Homecoming football game against Chapman University.



Dear Whittier Alumni, Parents, and Friends,

After meeting so many of you personally during Whittier Weekend 2004, I would like to thank you for all of your good will and warm wishes. As interim president, I am working closely with the trustees and campus leaders to ensure that Whittier's excellent momentum continues. Indeed, there are many exciting things going on at the College, and I want to take this opportunity to tell you more.

The past year has brought a few notable changes in faculty and staff and among those who serve the Whittier College community at large—some new faces, some returning. Summer marked the arrival of Lisa Meyer, vice president for enrollment, and Kevin Dood, executive director of development, among others. This fall, newly-elected members to the Board of Trustees also began their terms of service, including Shayne C. Gad '71, alumni trustee; James E. Mitchell '62, who previously served with the trustees from 1983 to 2000; and Jeanette Wong '81, the alumni association board president.

Of course, there continues to be a great deal of interest from all constituents on the status of the presidential search. As you know, Rick Gilchrist '68, chair of the Board of Trustees, announced in September that in order to recruit the very best president for Whittier, the search has been extended. So, in late November the Presidential Search Committee reconvened to evaluate a handful of strong, new candidates presented by our executive search firm. Next steps will be to further narrow the candidate pool and continue the interview process, in early 2005.

Mid-semester, the faculty voted to approve a new Liberal Education curriculum, the cul-

mination of more than two years of intense research and discussion. Described as capacious and flexible, the new core requirements focus on community, communication, cultural perspectives, and connections. I think you will be excited to see how our educational program remains rooted in Whittier's long-held values, while ensuring that our students are well prepared to be active, productive participants in contemporary society. Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of Faculty Susan Gotsch and the rest of the Curriculum Committee look forward to sharing more with you about this re-energized program in the spring edition of *The Rock*.

Plans for the capital projects slated for both the undergraduate and Law School campuses are moving along. I chair both project committees, comprised of trustees, faculty, administrators, students, and primary site-users. The new buildings are expected to have significant impact on the quality of life on both campuses, and our goal is to break ground next summer with a completion date of fall 2006.

Soon, some of you will have an opportunity to take part in our upcoming image-assessment project, an initiative deemed by the Board of Trustees as a key component to effective implementation of the College's Strategic Plan. In order to better understand how Whittier is perceived by its constituents and by prospective students, and to improve our reputation nationally, we will be asking many members of the College community to participate in a formal study, which will include a personal evaluation of the student experience, as well as overall perception of the College, its programs, and resources.

The fall semester campus event calendar was particularly abundant with a variety of programs. Guest speakers such as screenwriter Antwone Fisher, political satirist Mort Sahl, and Morgan Spurlock, director/producer/star of the documentary film *Super Size Me*, drew eclectic and curious crowds to the Ruth B. Shannon Center for the Performing Arts, where the reigning music series—the Aloha and Cabaret—continue to see a climb in

seasonal subscriptions and notoriety. In November, close to 600 local and regional undergraduates and faculty members flocked to Whittier to attend the Southern California Conference on Undergraduate Research (SSCUR), sharing scholarly work in the sciences and humanities. We are looking forward to hosting the similarly prestigious ASIANet conference in spring 2005. And at the Law School, this year's Health Law Symposium joined forces with the Center for Children's Rights, bringing together physicians, law professors, lawyer advocates, psychologists, and geneticists for a comprehensive program on contemporary issues in children's health.

Looking ahead, Whittier College and The Richard Nixon Library & Birthplace are co-sponsoring "Richard Nixon as Commander-in-Chief: The History of Nixon in Vietnam," a two-day conference scheduled for April 28 at the Nixon Library, and April 29 on the Whittier campus. Political historians will join Nixon-era journalists for panel discussions surrounding the turbulent American presidency during the Vietnam War; topics will include the military, diplomacy, the press, and the impact of the war on the homefront. Other scheduled sessions will debate the future of the Nixon archives and the direction of Nixon scholarship in the 21st century.

Finally, please join me in congratulating the men's water polo team, who played an outstanding season and beat the #1-ranked University of Redlands to claim the division title—Go Poets!

As always, I encourage each of you to consider a visit to campus to see the physical changes, meet our current students and faculty, take advantage of our ongoing concert and theater series and guest lectures, attend athletic events, and to remain a steadfast part of the Whittier community.

Sincerely yours,

Jan Legoza
Interim President and
Vice President for Finance and Administration

The Renaissance at Whittier College

Simply strolling around the campus today, you'll notice it: that palpable energy, that vibrant hum that naturally accompanies the promise—and fulfillment—of positive change.

Perhaps it can be attributed to the excitement and wonder that always follows the introduction of new Poets into the community. Perhaps it comes from the faculty completing their two-year task to revitalize the liberal arts curriculum. Perhaps it is the new aesthetic standard created by the Rose Hills Foundation Center for Library and Information Resources. But, most likely, it comes from the knowledge shared by all that Whittier is hovering on the precipice of Big Things, evidenced by so many recent events.

It's a veritable renaissance here.

For the first-time ever, the College was invited to host the prestigious Southern California Conference on Undergraduate Research. This came from an industry-wide recognition that Whittier consistently has one of the conference's highest scholar-participation rates proportionate to total student population.

For the first-time ever, the Poet men's water polo team outperformed all others in the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) to become the division champs. For the first time, too, a lacrosse player was inducted into Purple & Gold's Athletic Hall of Fame, validating the steady, meteoric rise of this 24-year old sports program at Whittier.

Also for the first-time, the College achieved an investment-grade rating (BBB) from Standard &



Poor's—a valuable, independent assessment that endorses the College's financial management, strength, and promise. And it is precisely this last turn of events that will enable and sustain our process of renewal.

This \$60 million Series 2004 Bond, closed last April, allows the College to immediately begin re-invigorating the communities at both the undergraduate campus and law school by funding an "extreme makeover" of the physical plant—including deferred maintenance projects—in addition to refinancing the College's existing debt at a much lower rate of interest.

Capital building projects selected for "Phase One" will not just get a face-lift of sorts, but, in some cases, total reconstruction.

Topping this list is the Whittier College campus center—the heart of any college community. Currently, this east campus locale is home to the Faculty Center; the Campus Inn; popular student destinations The Spot and The Club; KPOET radio station; *Quaker Campus*; and the College Bookstore, among others. Without question this has been The Place on campus for Poets to come together and relax, eat, socialize, get information, and just "hang-out." But thanks to this high rate of usage, this is one location that is decidedly *not* aging gracefully and remains a central topic of campus complaint. Whether it's determined that a thorough renovation or a complete demolition and new construction is the best course of action, this structure's rebirth will undoubtedly be highly anticipated, likely debated, and ultimately celebrated. In any case, it will definitely be designed with the next generation of Poets in mind.

Also slated for "Phase One" will be the outright acquisition of the land and buildings housing the Law School, a move that will fully realize the graduate institution as a Whittier asset. Previously, the structure and land had been leased, with contractual restrictions placed on upkeep and growth. Now, an additional building at the Costa Mesa campus, set to



INN, BUT OUT. First on the list for an extreme makeover is the Campus Center, home to The Spot, The Club, and the Campus Inn.

house the Centers for Children's Rights and Intellectual Property Law, is in plans for construction. This expansion, which will eventually enable these crucial resources to further develop their programs and services, is expected to significantly impact the community and attract an increasing number of quality students and faculty.

There's a renaissance happening at Whittier, visible in our accomplishments, our community, and our promising future. And this is only the beginning. ◀

Welcome, Class of 2008!

For the Whittier College admission team, it's been a very good year. Overall, applications received were a record-breaking 1,987. From that number, it was up to staff led by Director Kieron Miller to sort, discuss, haggle, and finally cull together the resulting outstanding Class of 2008.

The newbie Poets arrived on campus in a whirlwind of activity over Labor Day weekend, numbering 400 strong and with an average S.A.T. combined score of 1100, a GPA of 3.04, and an honors GPA of 3.40—stats that continue to rise each year. These new students, which included 64 additional transfers, hailed from 25 states and 10 foreign countries, including Bulgaria, Trinidad and Tobago, and Nepal, and represent a total of 346 different secondary schools. Bucking the national trend that women drastically outnumber men on the college scene, the Class of 2008 is almost evenly split: 51% women, 49% men.

Numbers aside, many of you might be surprised on learning a few tidbits about this new generation of Poets, insights gleaned from their application essays, interviews, and informal discussions with Whittier admission staff.

These young people are accomplished in community service and sports. For example, one student trained guide dogs for the blind, while another demonstrated his athletic skill and disdain for fear as a competitor in

the X Games, ESPN's popular extreme sports contest.

They have diverse interests and passions. In one case, a persevering young woman beat out hundreds of hopefuls and earned one of only seven open positions on Pasadena's historic Rose Court, a yearlong commitment that includes appearances at over 150 media and public functions to promote the Tournament of Roses Foundation. In another case, a young man turned a hobby into a burgeoning business: his underwater photographs of surfers have already been published in several surf magazines.

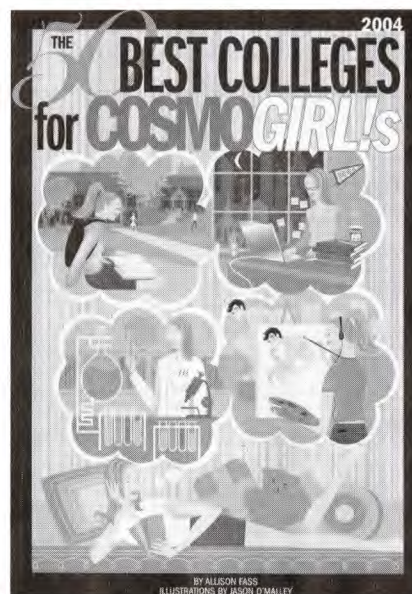
Most of all, they're serious about their education. One student shared his tale about overcoming the challenge of urban geography; he took a city bus one-hour each way to and from school because he lived in a poorly ranked school district and wanted to attend a high school that would prepare him for college. Another student's high school days required separation from his family by thousands of miles and cultural barriers. He attended an East Coast boarding school, while his parents, despite danger, chose to live in a country where they could earn sufficient income to see their son's education through—and fulfill the dream shared by the whole family.

Whatever their histories pre-Whittier, there is abundant evidence that this new crop of Poets will be quite a remarkable addition to the campus community, and we look forward to watching their progress throughout the next four years and beyond. Welcome! ◀

Whittier, a Truly "Cosmopolitan" Location for Girls

Whittier College is one of the "50 Best Colleges for Girls" according to the October 2004 issue of *CosmoGIRL!* magazine, making the grade alongside such prestigious universities as Brown, Duke, and Stanford.

In compiling the list, editors at *CosmoGIRL!* consulted admissions officers and guidance



counselors across the country to determine the kind of environment that gives young women the best chance of success in school and after graduation. The result was a list of six key factors that were then cross-referenced with baseline data from *The Princeton Review* to determine those schools—outside of single-sex institutions—that best fit the bill.

The six key factors—small class size, prominent female faculty members, strong women's sports programs, a career center that facilitates internship opportunities, opportunities to hold leadership positions in clubs and activities and an active alumni network—were all seen by *CosmoGIRL!*'s panel of experts to provide unique elements essential to success.

And does the current student body substantiate this claim? Indeed, as a striking 56% are Lady Poets! ◀

Senior Earns Distinction at National Conference



Poet Lisa Ybarra '05 was one of only 20 undergraduate students nationwide invited to

attend the Ralph Bunche Summer Institute (RBSI) at Duke University. Named in honor of the 1950 Nobel Peace Prize winner, RBSI is a five-week, academically-intensive summer program in political science designed to simulate the graduate school experience, provide mentoring, and expand academic opportunities for African American, Latino/a, and Native American students.

Capping the experience, program directors selected the 10 most promising students to present their research at the prestigious Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association (APSA) in Chicago. Topics ranged from the impact of religious feelings on the political process to terrorism and the determinants of anxiety in a post-9/11 society. Ybarra was among those chosen, and she traveled with fellow Institute classmates to participate in the American Politics II Poster Session and present her paper, *Cultural Proximity: An Analysis on Latino Subgroup Positions on Abortions*.

"All of us in the political science department are very excited and proud of Lisa," said Associate Professor Deborah Norden. "The APSA is the major political science conference in the U.S., and many graduate students are not even given the opportunity to present prior to completing their Ph.D.s." ◀

"Communities of Discovery" Discover Whittier

On November 20, nearly 600 students and faculty representing 65 institutions of higher learning converged on the Whittier campus to participate in "Communities of Discovery," the 12th Annual Southern California Conference on Undergraduate Research (SCCUR). In all, 316 research projects in the

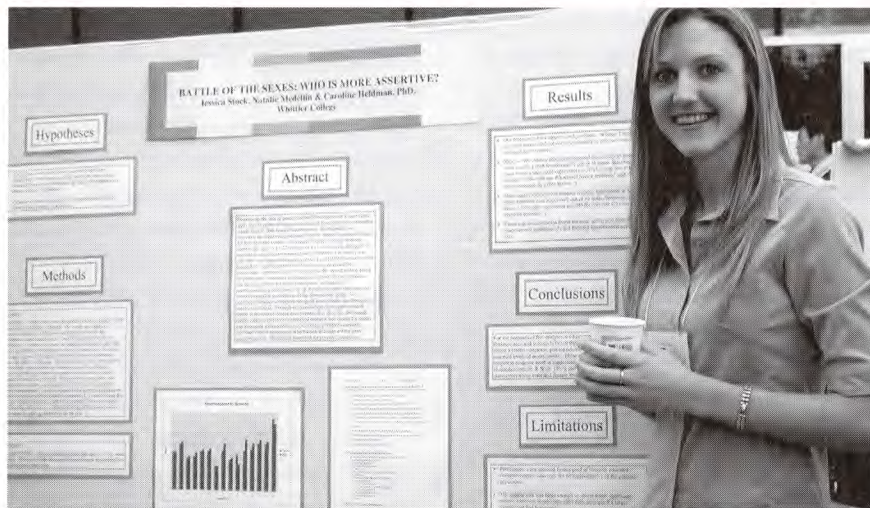
arts, humanities, and sciences were presented over the eight-hour day.

Born out of the increase in collaborative opportunities between student and faculty-mentored research at the undergraduate level, SCCUR was created with a mission to promote awareness of and celebrate accomplishments in research, scholarship, and creative activity; to provide students with the opportunity to formally present their findings in an academic environment; and to foster a multidisciplinary and multicultural community of researchers, scholars, and artists linked by a common enthusiasm for learning. Originally weighted toward the physical sciences—the cultural nexus of undergraduate research—these meetings now encompass a variety of disciplines.

Substantiating this evolution, this year, seven out of the fifteen sessions were non-science in nature. Whittier alone had 53 students—sponsored by 25 faculty mentors—



SCCUR-YING ALONG. Fellow participants and attendees learn a variety of scientific theory while strolling through a poster session of the Southern California Conference on Undergraduate Research, October 20.



EXPLAIN YOURSELF: Above, Jessica Stock '06 shares insight on who is more assertive in "The Battle of The Sexes," a project she completed with Natalie Medellin '06 and faculty mentor Dr. Caroline Heldman. Below, SCCUR's first juried art exhibit draws a continuous stream of spectators.

selected to present research in history, political science, English, modern languages and literature, biology, chemistry, physics, child development, and psychology, in addition to one student's artwork chosen for the conference's first juried exhibition. Compared to other institutions, Whittier continues to have one of the highest rates of participation proportionate to total student population.

Despite its supposed regional focus, SCCUR has quickly gained notoriety within academe as one of the best conferences of its type, surpassing other regional and national meetings. And with good reason.

"When it comes to sheer density of institutions that pursue and support this type of research, Southern California puts the East Coast's 'Research Triangle' to shame," explains Cheryl Swift, Whittier associate professor of biology and this year's conference chair. "In fact, SCCUR has grown so popular that an increasing number of proposals are being sent from out-of-

state." Indeed, the recent program included submissions from Wisconsin to Washington.

Early in the planning stages, Whittier College was approached to host the 2004 conference, an honor that places it alongside leading undergraduate research institutions and previous SCCUR sites such as UCLA, UCI, and Caltech. What makes this invitation noteworthy, Swift clarifies, is that when it comes to undergrad research, the smaller, private liberal arts colleges tend to fly under the radar screen in comparison with their larger, public school brethren—but Whittier, with its consistent participation in SCCUR, has proved to be a tenacious and visible representative for its peer colleges.

Susan Gotsch, vice president for academic affairs and dean of faculty, agrees that this invitation signifies a growing acknowledgement of Whittier as a true contender in this academic arena.

"We are excited to be a part of the larger 'community of discovery'—this wide circle of colleges and universities that share our commitment to the idea of engaging students as full participants in scholarly work," Gotsch commented.

"We believe education does not stop at the boundary of a studio, classroom, or laboratory,



but, instead, begins there—an ideal clearly put into practice by both conference participants and attendees."

"We were particularly glad to be at Whittier College this year," added John N. Swift, president of the SCCUR Board of Governors. "Whittier has a unique, intellectual climate—combining close student-faculty interaction with a commitment to the liberal arts and interdisciplinary thinking—and seemed to us especially appropriate to the goals of SCCUR."

In addition to the plenary, oral, and poster sessions, two new events were added to the agenda: a juried art exhibition, sponsored by SCCUR and featuring 50 student works of art, and "The Taste of Whittier," the closing reception planned to showcase Whittier's campus and community partnership. Ten Uptown restaurants answered the call to participate, providing everything from appetizers to sweets to beverages and, more importantly, a relaxing and memorable end to the day. ◀

On-Air Poets

Myles Copeland '97, one-half of KBQI-FM Albuquerque's star morning DJ team, and partner Tony Lynn earned a nomination for this year's Country Music Association Award for Broadcast Personality of the Year. This is the second time the duo has been nominated for this award in the five years they've been working together on-air. According to the *Albuquerque Journal*, their top-rated, morning drive-time program taps listeners ages 25 to 54, who tune in to hear "gentle, G-rated sorts who make fun of Cowboy fans and do comic bits clean enough for Lynn Cheney. Tony Lynn is the sunny voiced good ol' boy who likes sports, the flag, his family. Copeland is the smarter-than-thou neurotic, a court jester whose masculinity is called into question daily by his on-air, mock worries about his controlling wife."

Dr. Devin Iimoto, associate professor of chemistry, is set to appear on international television. A film crew for "nano," a science program broadcast on German, Swiss, and

Austrian channels ZDF and 3Sat, flew across the Atlantic for the express purpose of interviewing Jimoto on his project involving the usage of snake venom extracts as a cleaning agent (specifically to remove blood stains from fabrics).

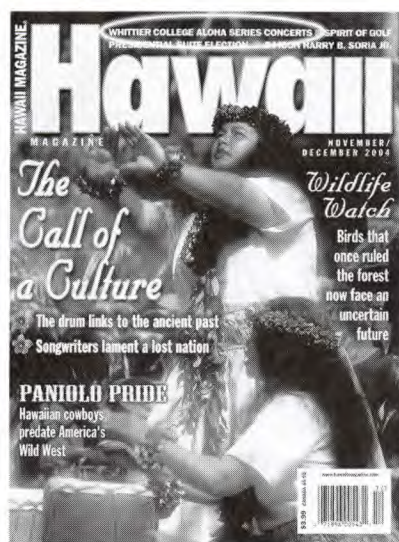
On the August 12 edition of American Public Media's program "Speaking of Faith with Krista Tippett," **Dr. Joseph Price**, professor of religious studies, theologian, and devout sports fan, was the featured guest. At the time the program aired, baseball season and the ritual of the Olympic Games were in full swing; the ensuing hour-long talk had Price, who authored *From Season to Season: Sports as American Religion*, candidly exploring the spirituality of Americans' reverence for sports. The show aired on 99 stations in 26 states. To hear the archived episode, visit the program's website, www.speakingoffaith.publicradio.org.

Jeff Smith '80 and family were participants on episode six of this season's new ABC-TV reality show, "Wife Swap." In the episode, Jeff's wife Dawne traded lives with a California health-nut.

In April, "NCAA On Campus," Fox Sports Net's popular 30-minute show that focuses on college sports, broadcasted from the Whittier campus. The show covered men's lacrosse teams and star athletes in swimming, crew, and basketball, then concluded with "30 Seconds with..." a segment where random questions are fired at a student from the host college. Poet softball player **Brenna Winslow '07** stepped up to the plate and hit a homerun with host Patrick O'Neal. The entire show can be seen online at www.ncaa.org. ◀

Whittier College Receives Top-Billing in HAWAII Magazine

In the November/December issue of *Hawaii* magazine, writer Pamela V. Brown investigates the rise of a mainland phenomenon—unique, Hawaiian-music concert series that



is positively thriving in a quiet little town called Whittier. The consistently sold-out Round Hill Vineyards & Cellars Aloha Concert Series not only offers top-notch celebrity performers, such as the Brothers Cazimero and Makaha Sons, but delivers music patrons an unforgettable "aloha spirit" experience. In the article, Brown interviews Ruth B. Shannon Center Theater Manager David Palmer, who talks about the origin of Hawaiian acts at Whittier College (his new boss requested a booking of the Brothers Cazimero); Don Sato, a Hawaii "ex-pat," who initiated All About Tours' co-sponsorship of the series; and Nalani Choy, a member of the group Na Leo Pihimehana, who talks about the familial experience between performer, theater staff, and Shannon Center concertgoer. ◀

The "Other" First-Year Poet Class

Eight instructors from a variety of disciplines and experiences joined the Whittier faculty this fall, two in tenure-track positions, five Irvine fellows—funded by a grant from the James Irvine Foundation as part of a campus diversity initiative—and one Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence. In all cases, Whittier is pleased to play host to such an exceptional class!

Returning to Whittier after a year at

Pomona College, **Surupa Gupta** is the Irvine Fellow in Political Science. Currently working on publishing her research on the political economy of trade policy reforms in India, Gupta is teaching Poets the rudiments of international relations. She earned a B.A. and M.S. from Jadavpur University in Calcutta, India, and a Ph.D. in international relations from the University of Southern California.

This fall, Irvine Fellow in Economics **Simon Lamar** taught upper-division *International Economics*, which covers basic principles of trade and finance—a topic in which Lamar has significant experience. Previously, Lamar served as the general director of Planning and Budget, Foreign Trade Institute in Caracas, Venezuela; his Ph.D. dissertation focused on "Intraregional Trade in the Andean Community of Nations." Lamar earned his undergraduate degree from Universidad Central de Venezuela in Caracas, an M.A. from Temple University, and a Ph.D. from Claremont Graduate University.

Although Whittier has had several faculty members who have been Fulbright Scholars abroad, **Hsiu-ling Lin** of Taiwan is Whittier's first-ever Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence, teaching two new classes: *Taste of China*, a general introduction to Chinese culture, and *Masterpieces of China*, examining modern Chinese short stories and poems.

Lin's expertise includes Chinese and English literature, with a research focus on Virginia Woolf and Ezra Pound; she is also investigating the influence of Chinese art on Western modernism. Lin came to Whittier from National Taiwan Normal University in Taipei. She holds a B.A. in English literature from National Taiwan University, and an M.A. and Ph.D. in comparative literature from the University of Chicago.

Lana Nino, who joined the college in 2001 as a visiting assistant professor of business administration, moved to a tenure-track position this fall. She earned her B.A., M.A.,



of China, a general introduction to Chinese culture, and *Masterpieces of China*, examining modern Chinese short stories and poems.

Lin's expertise includes



and M.S. from California State University, Long Beach, and brings more than 20 years of corporate experience to Whittier. Before she

began teaching, Nino was CFO for two California technology companies—Entrada Networks and ProShot Golf, Inc.—and held managerial positions for several manufacturing and retail firms. The courses she plans for Whittier include financial, managerial and federal tax accounting in addition to accounting information systems and accounting information for decision-making. In addition, Nino is serving as faculty advisor for Alpha Pi Delta, the Whittier College business society.

Desirée René Martínez, Irvine Fellow in Anthropology, is teaching *Archeological Anthropology*. This fall, she was able to offer a real hands-on lesson, taking students to an archeological dig in the Los



Angeles National Forest, where Tavitiium earth ovens dating about 100 A.D. were recently discovered. Martínez is currently completing her Ph.D. dissertation investigat-

ing the complex relationships between Native Americans and archaeologists, especially as related to the Native American Grave Protection and Repatriation Act, archaeological excavations, and the management of cultural resources. Prior to Whittier, she was a curatorial research assistant at the Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology and served as a volunteer field supervisor in archaeological field schools. Martínez earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Pennsylvania and her master's degree from Harvard.

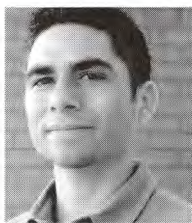
Irvine Fellow in Child Development **Kay Sanders** specializes in early childhood education, and her research examines the early race and ethnic socialization processes of minority children, especially in professional

child-care programs. Previously, she was program director for The Children's Collective, which focuses on care for African American and Latino children from poor families.

Sanders earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan and her master's from California State University, Los Angeles. She is a Ph.D. candidate at the University of California, Los Angeles.

Sherilyn Williams-Stroud, Irvine Fellow in Earth Science, was a senior research scientist at ChevronTexaco Energy Technology Company and taught at the Keck Geology Consortium for Carleton College in Northfield, MN. Her 1992 publication on Paradox Basin is still cited in very recently published papers, but her current research interests are depositional processes related to evaporates as a means to determine paleoclimate variability. Williams-Stroud taught *Fault Study* and *Earth Systems: The Solid Rock* during fall semester. She holds a bachelor's from Oberlin College, and an M.A. and Ph.D. from John Hopkins University.

Assistant Professor of Mathematics **Eric Sundberg** has targeted his research on "positional game theory," which is a new branch of combinatorial game theory, but he also pursues graph theory and the use of



computer technology in teaching. Among the courses Sundberg is teaching are *Quantitative Reasoning* and *Abstract Thinking*. Sundberg holds a B.A. from

Occidental College, and a Ph.D. from Rutgers University.

In addition, the 2004-05 Whittier faculty includes seven visiting professors on one-year contracts: **Ed Bobich**, biology; **David Crain**, business administration; **David Campbell**, economics; **Greg Miller** and **Jeffrey Miller**, mathematics; **Serkan Zorba**, physics and astronomy; and Whittier College alumnus **Ralph Komai '64**, environmental and earth sciences. ◀

Faculty Files

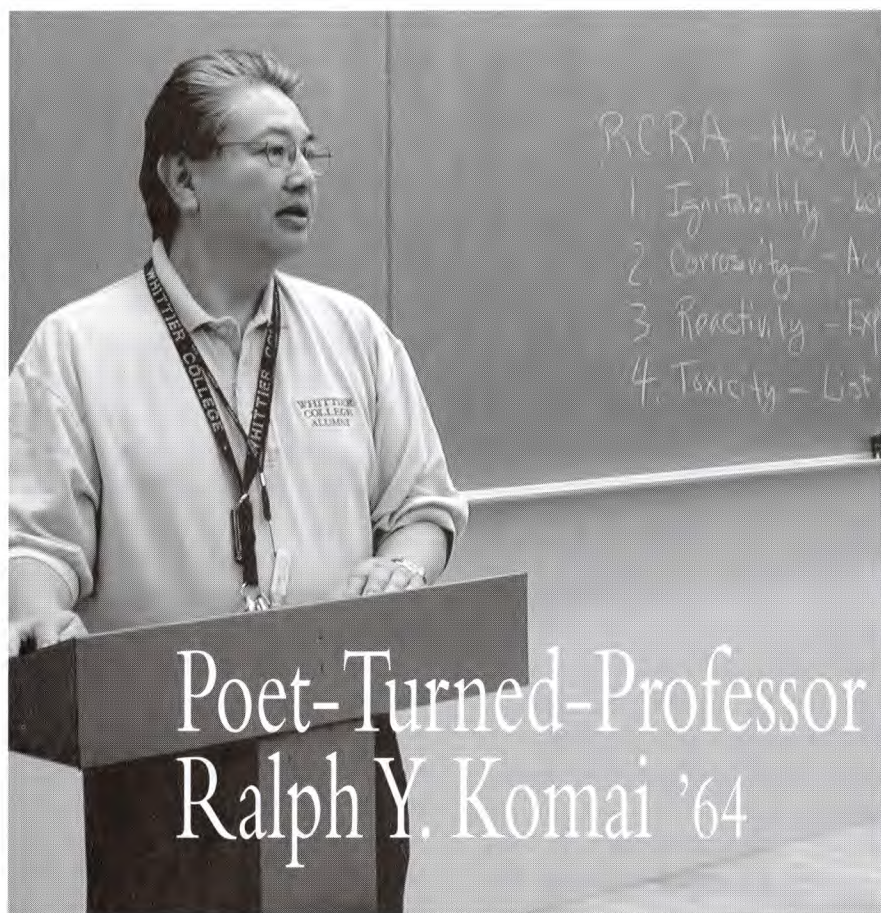
Tony Barnstone, associate professor of English language and literature, and current Johnson House faculty master, has had his second book of poems, a book of sonnets, *He Kills His Darlings*, accepted for publication by Sheep Meadow Press. His new book of Chinese translations, *The Anchor Book of Chinese Poetry* (co-authored with Chou Ping) will appear in bookstores in February 2005.

Professor Emerita of Business Administration **Mary Finan** has published an article in the *Journal of Management Education* that describes some of the teaching methods she used while teaching at Whittier College. The article quotes students in her classes at Whittier.

Gustavo Geirola was named the 2004 recipient of the Harry W. Nerhood Teaching Excellence Award, given annually to the faculty member deemed most deserving for outstanding teaching and service to the community. Nominated by fellow faculty and students, Geirola accepted the honor for his nearly 10 years in the modern languages and literature department at Whittier, where he has taught courses in Spanish and Peninsular and Latin American literature, film, theater, and popular culture with an emphasis given to cultural studies and issues.

Caroline Heldman, assistant professor of political science, has proposed an idea that is making waves not only in her field but locally among colleagues. Heldman suggests that the media coverage leading up to and throughout the Iraq conflict echoes a subtle, government-instigated "marketing campaign." Heldman and student Erinn Carter '05 authored a 63-page research paper on the subject, which was selected for presentation at a research conference in Chicago.

Currently on sabbatical from Whittier, **Endi Poskovic**, associate professor of art and art history and director of the print media program, has spent part of his time as artist-in-residence at the Bemis Center for Contemporary Arts, University of Nebraska, Omaha. ◀



Early in November, The Rock caught up with freshman professor Dr. Ralph Komai, a Poet from the Class of 1964 who has returned to campus for a one-year contract to teach environmental science courses. When asked about the classroom transition he's undergoing, from Whittier student to instructor, Komai succinctly (and not surprisingly) replied, "It's a bit weird." Well, weird or not, the College is thrilled to see this Poet's return.

TR: *Environmental science is a relatively new branch of the physical sciences. In layman's terms, what exactly does that field encompass?*

RK: Earth and environmental sciences address both what has traditionally been called geology and the much newer area of environmental science. Where the two areas converge is in the exploitation of the earth and its resources, such as water and minerals.

The genesis of environmental science was an inevitable response to population

growth and human progress. When a nomadic lifestyle was the norm, restoration of the earth's natural resources was uncomplicated. Man survived by picking fruit and nuts, trapping small animals, and then moving on to find more plentiful bounty. Before nomads made a return to an area, there was adequate time for repopulation of animals and regrowth of plants. The environment restored itself. So, the environmental movement arose with the realization that resources were being depleted at such an alarming pace as to preclude this process of natural recovery, as well as a recognition that wastes were increasingly defiling our world. The field of environmental science specifically studies and addresses concerns surrounding manmade damage to air, water, land, and energy resources; the goal is to create a sustainable society, where we use what is necessary but leave enough for future generations and don't spoil our global home.

TR: *When you were an undergrad, there was no dedicated department to environmental science. What was your educational path, and how did you get your start professionally? Did you have a particular area of focus?*

RK: My intent from the beginning of college was to become a professor, though I wound up with a 30-year career in environmental compliance. I majored in both math and chemistry at Whittier, then went on to earn a master's and doctorate in chemistry at California Institute of Technology and University of California, Riverside, respectively.

The economy was in a downturn when I began to look for a teaching post. Industry was reducing its research departments, which in turn flooded the academic market with chemists. Rather than add to the deluge—combined with an interest in tracing my roots—I took a two-year position in Japan as technical editor for a series of books in English on Japanese chemical research. When I returned to the U.S., the economy had only slightly recovered. Again I placed my teaching ambitions on hold.

I found a temporary administrative job with Southern California Edison, on the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station Unit 2 and 3 construction project. When a regular position opened in the Water Quality Group, I took it and shifted focus to environmental work.

Over the subsequent years, I have worked primarily in environmental compliance: as a project manager for environmental research (primarily hazardous waste) at the Electric Power Research Institute and in various positions with The Gas Company dealing largely with hazardous wastes and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), a suspected cancer-causing chemical.

Last July, I retired from The Gas Company, and, while considering options for my "next career," the idea of teaching resurfaced. So, here I am, at least for the year of my contract, while the College explores

thoughts of revamping the Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences and its overall program.

TR: *Which aspect of your career have you found to be most rewarding?*

RK: That's like asking me which one of my sons I like best. Each job has offered some component that I've found personally gratifying.

I like writing, so the technical editing job in Japan, which applied my chemistry training to improving the written word, really resonated with that element of my being. While my field work has been limited, I've enjoyed making site visits to see how equipment operates and employees function in order to better guide them into compliance programs. And teaching, whether in the guise of guiding fresh young staff members, instructing company employees, or educating students in a classroom, certainly sets off a harmonic vibration in me. I particularly like to see a student experience the "Aha!" moment—the definable spark that indicates comprehension. There is great satisfaction in that.

Despite my slippery answer, I guess the best parts of my career are based in positive people interaction. Making a contribution to someone's career or life is the best reward.

TR: *How does it feel to be back in the Whittier classroom as a professor versus as a student?*

RK: It is a bit weird. It's been four decades since I was a student here. I teach in Stauffer Science Building, which is located on what used to be the football field, while Naylor Hall, former chemistry home and where I spent the largest percentage of my undergraduate life, is now Deihl Hall for languages and literature. So returning to Whittier College has been a little like slipping through to another dimension, to a parallel universe place that is just a bit different than my memories.

I enjoy the teaching experience. It is interesting to see perspectives of others, and to try to show them yours. And, in a way, the students seem both older and younger. Because of constant media barrage, they have been exposed to a much larger world, and yet there are many practical "real world" considerations that have never crossed their minds and so seem to surprise them.

TR: *Do you see a genuine interest in the subject matter from current students?*

RK: Frankly, the majority of my students are not in the class because they are pursuing careers in this topic. They have a science requirement that needs to be met, and they are hoping that my class will let them pass that requirement with a minimum amount of anguish. But evidenced in recent term papers, their research topics spiked real interest and involvement and demonstrated to me that they do have a passion that can be tapped.

Having captured them for only a semester, however, my goal is simply to teach these students some facts, make them think about things, and hopefully leave them with a rudimentary foundation that will help them identify—and consider—multiple sides of an issue.

TR: *Professors always comment that in the classroom, they are equally educated by their students. What have your Whittier students taught you?*

RK: Let me lift a lyric from the musical "The King and I."

"It's a very ancient saying but a true and honest thought: that, if you become a teacher, by your pupils you'll be taught. As a teacher I've been learning—you'll forgive me if I boast—and I've now become an expert on the subject I like most. Getting to know you..."

Basically, my students have taught me not to assume anything, least of all that we're

on the same page when it comes to subject matter. For example, when I led a discussion down a path believing that everyone understood about the composition of an atom, I discovered many lost the trail, so to speak. Consequently, I had to backtrack to safer ground until the majority of them were, once again, with me.

They have also taught me to solicit their opinions on how the material might be more successfully presented. Of course, I do retain the power to veto, so a study guide limited strictly to material that will be covered on the final exam will not be forthcoming.

TR: *In looking at the Whittier classroom now as opposed to your own days as an undergrad, do you perceive a radical change in quality or type of student?*

RK: Is Barry Bonds better than Babe Ruth? It's difficult to compare time periods. In both eras, I've seen very bright students who work very hard, and some very bright students who are lazy. But it is a changed world—the challenges are different and so are the tools. I remember going to libraries—often in different cities—to try to find that missing piece of information. These students are used to collecting information over the Internet in the blink of an eye. When I was a student, calculus didn't enter into the curriculum until college. Now students can complete two years of calculus in high school. In terms of tools, most students own or have access to a computer, that electronic wonder, which will, among other things, correct your spelling and question your grammar. And, oddly, while the world today offers plenty of these resources and opportunities, some students still choose not to take advantage.

So, to answer the question: "Not really" or, rather, "Can't compare." I refuse to concede that students from 2004 are any better, brighter, or more motivated than those in the 1960s (or vice-versa), just inhabiting a different world with a different set of rules. ◀

Breaking The Stereotype:

Students show that political apathy is not an issue at Whittier College

By Kevin Perez '06



Not more than twelve hours after the polls closed on an election that recorded an almost unprecedented voter turnout, news agencies reported that, once again, the majority of potential voters aged 18-24 were a no-show.

Why?

Answers have been suggested from various political analysts and public opinion research groups. Candidates only marginally include or dismiss entirely this target market in their platform issues and voter cultivation opportunities. There's a pervasive powerlessness felt by this group that the fate of global and domestic America is effectively "out of their hands." Young adults fail to make it to the polls because they sense that "one vote doesn't really matter."

But I make these lofty researchers a challenge: Try to corroborate these claims on the Whittier campus. I think you'll find it's no more than "fuzzy math."

As a transfer student in my first semester

here at Whittier College and in my second presidential election as a voter, by all rights, I should be one of the apathetic masses. And I suppose I can see how some credence can be given to this assertion. But I've also been witness to a change. During the 2000 presidential campaign, I was in a school with a fairly large population, and, for months prior to Election Day, I did see the *lassiez faire* attitude of many young people—that is until the hanging chad fiasco in Florida awoke many youth to what can happen when you don't involve yourself in the process. I also watched in 2002 mid-term elections, as many young voters, who had no interest in the 2000 election, increasingly became politically conscious and urged others to vote. Now, I am part of a much smaller student body by comparison but far more politically active as a whole. Nearly everyone seems to have a strong political opinion and is committed to a course of action. Not to bully or be intolerant of various viewpoints, but to discuss, to debate, and to get their peers involved and voting.

I submit the evidence.

Over the course of the last year—both spring and fall semesters—students from Whittier clubs and organizations have come together in a mass effort to ensure a common goal: a politically-savvy and active campus.

For example, student newspaper *Quaker Campus* did its best to get out the word and stimulate discussion. Nearly every week, a news article, guest opinion, or point-counter-

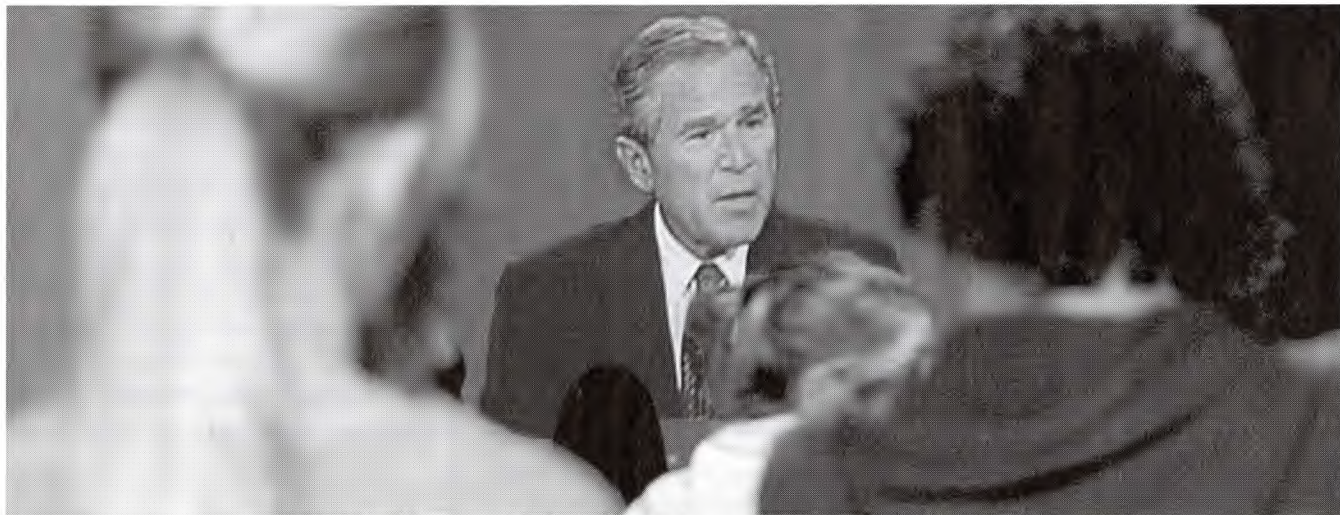
point was offered on the candidates, initiatives, or election issues in general. In one such opinion piece, Amethyst Polk '06 decried the so-called political strategy to include mouthy celebrities to sway the young adult vote.

"We're not exactly sure what to make of Rush Limbaugh, Michael Moore, Hollywood's 'Rock the Vote' campaign, and [the movie] *Team America*," wrote Polk. "But we don't need Fox News or Ben Affleck to tell us what's up."

One community event that drew crowds was the screening of the presidential and vice-presidential debates at The Club below the Campus Inn. Turnout exceeded expectation, as students and some faculty watched, listened, and then held discussions immediately following. In an informal poll, many students admitted they were undecided going into the debates and felt that this coordinated event was a big help in determining which way their vote would go.

Certain clubs also sponsored related member activities beyond the campus boundaries. On a trip funded by Poet Democrats, club president Erin Clancy '07 traveled to Arizona to participate in a youth voter registration event. Her experience both in Arizona and at home strengthened her commitment to the cause. "Student voters can't afford to sit idly by during election time. The issues at stake *now*, affect us *now*. All of us need to be clear on that point."

In her QC letter, Polk aptly echoed these sentiments. "The only wasted vote is no vote



REALITY TV: Students and faculty pack The Club to watch—then discuss—the presidential debates.

Paul Gallaher '07



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UNCLE SAM WANTS YOU. "Whittier College Rocks the Vote" drew an eclectic mix of the politically curious.

at all. The ballots we cast this November 2 will be our own personal stamp on the future."

But it was October's "Whittier College Rocks the Vote" that remains one of the most memorable efforts of the campus community to spread awareness and inspire action. Sponsored by the Coalition of Activist Leaders (COAL), the all-day event was the culmination of a massive yearlong voter mobilization drive, which had included a voter phonathon and classroom visits by representatives of the League of Women Voters. Non-partisan in nature, the event featured live music by a politically driven hip-hop group, information tables run by various political campus clubs and organizations, coverage and participation by campus radio station KPOET, and non-partisan pamphlets disseminated by the League of Women Voters explaining various ballot measures and initiatives.

COAL Co-President Kimi Buser '05 dubbed the event, which succeeded in registering numerous students, "wildly successful."

"The event really opened my eyes as to what is out there politically," attendee Peter Lawrence '06 commented.

"This really became a coordinated effort," Buser added. "We had the Poet Democrats, Whittier College Republicans, NOW, League of Women Voters, and other

groups all sharing information, discussing issues, and stimulating interest. We were able to reach, educate, and register a number of young voters and show them why they need to get—and stay—involved in the political process."

When Election Day arrived, campus clubs refused to rest on their laurels for a job well done. Realizing that political awareness, issues education, and voter registration are only half the battle, COAL took it one step further. To ensure the combined efforts of all these campus agencies bore fruit, they offered a voter van service, which ferried students to and from various assigned polling places, and which, oddly, were in disparate locations on campus and in uptown Whittier.

According to Assistant Professor for Political Science Caroline Heldman, who has been both a casual observer and involved participant in the year's political events and activities and who teaches the popular course *Politics Beyond the Classroom*, notes: "It's true, young people tend not to vote, therefore, this is a demographic that the candidates and [political] parties have been able to comfortably ignore. However, I find that many Whittier students have very strong opinions about their political ideologies, and I admit I was pleasantly surprised at the actual number of student voters who followed through on their convictions

and made a concerted effort to get to the polls."

And this hopeful phenomenon was not just limited to the Whittier student population, despite the dismal reports about low youth voter turnout made by media on November 3. Yes, in comparison to the overall turnout numbers, voters aged 18-24 comprised one of the lowest demographics, but, interestingly enough, there was a 9% increase from the 2000 election. And that is very telling.

Heldman adds: "If the youth vote continues to incrementally increase the way it did in this past election, more and more policy decisions will have to go through this young voter base. No longer will politicians and political parties be able to set campaign strategies that dismiss or exert only minimal effort toward young voters. And ultimately, it can alter the way the business of politics is conducted."

So, again, I suggest to those research groups and analysts and politicians who would discount the interest and commitment of this genre of youth voters, open your eyes to the excellent example we've provided at Whittier College. And, hey, try to learn something.

Contributions to this article were also made by the Quaker Campus. ◀

POETS CAP FALL SEASON WITH CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE, DIVISION HONORS

This fall's athletic season saw a range of highs and lows, but the indisputable leader of the Poet pack continues to be the men's water polo team. Going into the November SCIAC Finals, the team was ranked #2 in the league. But with a 6-5 victory over University of Redlands, the Poets' standing jumped to #1, earning them the title of SCIAC Division III Champions. The team advanced to the Western Water Polo Association Tournament held at UC Davis to finish off the season.

On the first day of competition the Poets started strong, defeating Pomona-Pitzer 6-4, before Loyola Marymount ended their eleven-game winning streak with an overtime victory of 12-11. However, the second day of competition saw the Poets victorious once again, defeating Santa Clara in overtime, with another high scoring (12-11) total. Although Whittier fell 11-9 to Brigham Young University-Hawaii in the final tournament game, they still placed sixth in the tournament overall.

The team ended with a 23-10 record overall, 9-1 in conference play. Player **Josh "Gooch" Batts '06** credits the squad's success to strong senior players, excellent recruiting



THE LIFE AQUATIC. Moments after the Poets claim the championship, Coach Carty joins his squad to celebrate.

last season and this, and outstanding coaching by Mitch Carty '96 and Kyle Witt. Notable players this season included **A.J. Kotanjian '08**, who contributed an impressive 99 goals; **David Mulcahey '06** with 85 assists—a Whittier College single-season record; **Cody Pletcher '07** with 12 blocks; **Jake Zerbe '07** with 56 drawn penalties; and goalie **Ethan Jessup '05** making another College single-season record of 320 total saves, and holding opponents to an incredible 26% shooting percentage on the year.

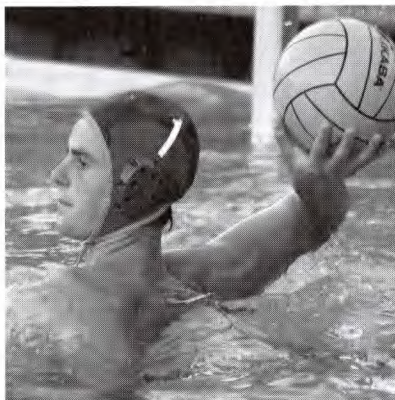
When asked about the season, Head Coach Carty said: "This year has been perhaps the most rewarding coaching experience of my career.

Being able to win a SCIAC Championship for the first time in school history, not only means a lot to me, my assistant coaches, and the athletes of this team, but also for the 32 teams that came before them. They put their blood, sweat and tears in for this program as well. This is great for the entire Whittier College water polo family. I could not wait for practice to start every day and looked forward to playing the toughest of opponents. This team is extremely cohesive; look for us to be tough again next year."



FISH OUT OF WATER. The 2004 SCIAC division champs.

In other Poet sports news, the football team, captained by wide receiver **Evan Howe '05** and offensive lineman **Joey Zamora '05**, experienced a positive attitude adjustment, brought on by the 51 freshmen players joining the Poet machine through Coach Carlson's



Paul Gallaher '07

Ethan Jessup '05

2004 recruitment plan. Among the noteworthy newcomers is QB **Joshua Scurlock '08**, who led the team with a per game average of 123.7 yards (passing for 115.3 yards per game). Star offensive players **Alex Jones '06** and **Adam Sandoval '07** averaged 46.0 and 28.7 yards per game, respectively, while freshmen **Michael Lopez** (58.5 tackles, 42 solo

leading both lists. At the event, runners who turned in strong performances included **Julia Tyack '08**, **Laura Guzman '07**, **Nicholas Salomone '07**, and **Joshua Bush '08**. And, while the season did not meet expectation overall, the future looks bright for a cross country resurgence at Whittier.

According to Head Coach Greg Phillips, applications from high school men and women cross country athletes have increased compared to this time last year.

Early in the season, the Lady Poets soccer team lost seven players to



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Joshua Scurlock '08 (12) and Adam Sandoval '07 (7)

injury over three consecutive games, which created numerous problems on the field and underscored the need to recruit additional players to the small roster of 19. "The overall season record was not impressive," notes Head Coach Skelly Miller, "but Whittier showed competitiveness on the field against strong opponents and played hard until the final whistle of each game. Next season, our coaching staff will look to fortify our strong, returning core with players in all positions, and we look forward to fun, exciting and a competitive year in 2005."

Congratulations go out to Poet athletes who have earned post-season awards, named to the



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Dashiell Verstegen '08 (55) and Alex Jones '06 (21)

and 33 assists) and **Charles Acker** (44.5 total tackles, 34 solo and 21 assists) led defense. Acker also turned in the season's best punting record, averaging 35.9 yards, with his longest punt at 64 yards. The Poets look forward to a strong 2005 season and hope to add more young talent to replace the graduating seniors.

At the October 30 SCIAC cross country championships, among the eight SCIAC schools, five women's teams and three men's teams received positive values for overall team improvement, with Whittier

2004-2005 All-SCIAC Team for their respective sports. Representing the very successful men's water polo team, goalie **Ethan Jessup '05** earned SCIAC Player Of The Year, while **A.J. Kotanjian '08**, utility, **David Mulcahey '06**, driver, and **Jake Zerbe '07**, 2m player, were named to All-SCIAC First Team. **Chris Wilson '05**, utility, took All-SCIAC Honorable Mention. Jessup and Kotanjian were also named to the All-Western Water Polo Association Second Team, and Kotanjian was named Western Water Polo Association Newcomer of the Year.



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Melissa Hamilton '07

In women's soccer, both **Taylor Prosek '05** and **Fallon Shelly '05** earned All-SCIAC honors; midfielder Prosek to First Team and defender Shelly to Second Team. This is Prosek's fourth consecutive year winning a nod from All-SCIAC, and Shelly's second. In men's soccer,

Matt Mason '05 was named to All-SCIAC Second Team. **Kyla Shafer**



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Kyla Shafer '05

'05, a middle blocker for the women's volleyball team, ended the season with a .208 hitting percentage in the SCIAC Division and added 32 block assists this season to up her career total to 157, which ranks her all-time second at Whittier. Shafer earned Second Team All-SCIAC honors

for her performance on the court. Women's cross country athlete **Julia Tyack '08** was an outstanding performer all season, earning her First Team All-SCIAC. Tyack also won All-Region recognition at the NCAA West Regional Championships, where she set a Whittier College course record at Prado Park with a time of 24:20.7 (6,000 meters).

In football, three Poets took SCIAC honors: defensive back **Dustin**

Jones '07 and linebacker **Mike Lopez '08** were named to All-SCIAC Second Team, and wide receiver **Evan Howe '05** earned All-SCIAC Honorable Mention.

At the College's Annual Poet Football Awards held December 5 in Ettinger Faculty Center, Howe also earned the Richard M. Nixon Award and shared the Captain Award with **Joey Zamora '05**. Mike Lopez was named Outstanding Defensive Player and Team MVP, while **Josh Scurlock '08** took home Rookie of the Year honors. The George Allen Award went to **Robert Ortega '05**, and the Evan McKinney Award went to **Daniel Lopez '08**. **Alex Jones '08** earned Outstanding Offensive Player, and **Ben Walker '08** took Outstanding Special Teams Player. ◀

Keep updated with game schedules, scores, and news at the Whittier College Athletics Program website: <http://web.whittier.edu/athletics/>.

Dr. Joseph Price, professor of religious studies and devout sports fan, explains...

THE PASSION FOR THE PIGSKIN



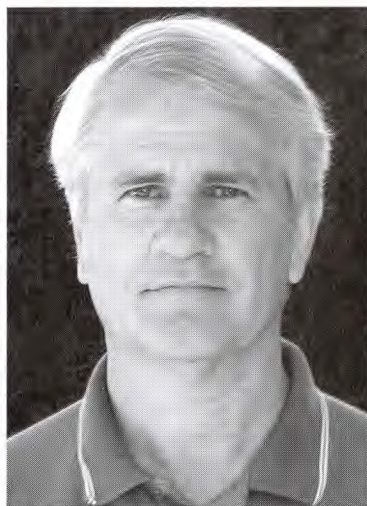
In an old comic routine, Andy Griffith assumes the guise of a country bumpkin who tells a friend about his visit to the city. On a Sunday, he recalls, tens of thousands of ritually clad people had converged at an outdoor place of worship to contest a sacred object: "And what it wuz," he concludes, "wuz football."

For many Americans the game of football generates their passionate devotion to a team, while the game itself resonates with national myths about the conquest of frontier territory. Although a comedian was one of the first to comment publicly on the significance of football, scholars now often huddle insights drawn from various academic disciplines and fields—including anthropology, sociology, psychology, philosophy, and religious studies—in an ongoing effort to understand Americans' fascination with the complex phenomenon of football. ◀



Field Goal

The Rock goes head-to-head with Coach Greg Carlson to find out the future of Poet football is all about the numbers.



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TR: This season, you recruited a large number of freshman players (51). What is the strategy behind this move, and can we expect to see a similar increase next season?

GC: Since becoming the head football coach at Whittier College, my recruiting strategy was to focus 85% of our energy toward the high school athlete. I feel strongly that our future success on the football field will be best developed with players that will invest four years at Whittier, both as committed athletes and scholars. Our goal is to build the football program "right"—so once it is built, it will stay built.

TR: Considering the increase in number, and the fact that many are unseasoned college players starting offense/defense, did the team, as a whole, perform to your expectations throughout the season?

GC: Our coaching staff refused to use the "freshman" card as an excuse for our performance on the field. The payoff to placing new players in first-string positions is that most now have valuable game-day experience that should benefit future teams. The coaches, too, gained a better understanding of both the team's and individual players' strengths and weaknesses, key information that helps us determine the scope of our off-season program.

TR: Many judge a team only by the win-loss scorecard. The Poets began strong, but then lost steam—how do you explain this change, and does it affect your (and your assistants') coaching strategies game by game?

GC: We did not alter our coaching strategies as the season unfolded, and

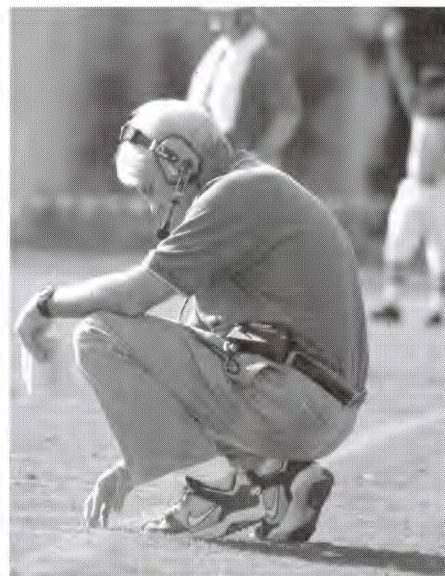
the staff remained positive and worked hard to prepare the team for each contest. The players did lose some confidence mid-way through the football season, but I was encouraged by the effort they continuously demonstrated in practice and games.

TR: At Wabash, you developed a powerhouse team that repeatedly won conference championships. Do you believe the Poets can do the same over time? What's the game plan for next season and what do you see as the biggest hurdles to raising our division ranking?

GC: I do feel confident that we can build a program that will annually compete for the SCIAC championship. But first, we must lay the proper foundation for future success. The Whittier football program had only 13 players when I arrived in March, 2003—it will take some time to build both numbers and quality on the field. Our goal is to raise the squad size to the high 80s or low 90s over next season, and the returning players that can remain positive, improve their physical skills in the off-season, and assist our staff in the recruitment of future Poets will certainly help us compete for conference championships within the next few years.

TR: As a coach, what has been particularly surprising or pleasing about this crop of players?

GC: I have been impressed with the character and citizenship of our players. Our young men have represented themselves well off the football field. It has been one of our goals to improve upon the image of Whittier football players, and I feel we have accomplished this particular objective. I have also enjoyed my time with the assistant football coaches, a dedicated group, who sincerely have the players' best interests at heart. ◀



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Purple & Gold Inducts Five Into Hall Of Fame

For many, the pinnacle event of Whittier Weekend was the Purple & Gold Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet, which is a celebration not only of new inductees, but of the entire sports program at Whittier College. Hosts Wendell Jack, the College's athletic director, and Vince Fraumeni '69, emcee, kept the evening's program moving at a brisk pace, and each honoree elicited laughter, a few grimaces, and some tears from the audience as they shared personal stories of their time at Whittier, memories of coaches and teammates, and gave personal and heartfelt thanks to their support network of family, friends, and fellow Poets.

The 2004 Hall of Fame inductees are:

Gary Benson '84, Men's Water Polo/Swimming. Gary had a distinguished career at Whittier, lettering three years in water polo and two in swimming. As starting sprinter on the Poet water polo team, he never lost a sprint for the ball in a contest, and, in 1980-81, was named to the All-SCIAC Second Team. In swimming, Gary earned the 1980 All-SCIAC 50 Freestyle record at 21:34—a record that still holds in the Whittier College swimming program—and was named All-American three times for 50 freestyle and once for 400 medley relay.

Bob Evans '64, Football. Lettering three seasons in the Poet football program, Bob was a stellar center for the team, earning distinction as Team MVP then as co-captain during his senior year. He was named to the All-West Coast, All-District NAIA, and for three consecutive years to the All-SCIAC First Team. In the three years that Bob played, the team was SCIAC Champions twice and Co-Champions once, and went on to the 2nd Round of the 1961-62 NAIA Playoffs.

Shana (Jenner) Wilhelm '91, Women's Volleyball/Track & Field. Shana's record at Whittier is unparalleled. This 1990-91 Purple & Gold Athlete of the Year lettered three seasons in volleyball and four in track and field. In volleyball, she was named Team MVP three years running, captained for one season, and took 1990-91 All-SCIAC First Team honors. She also holds the Whittier record in solo blocks. In track and field, Shana performed with similar impressive results, earning All-SCIAC honors and winning Team MVP three times. In a single year, she broke—and still holds—the Whittier records in the long jump, 100h, and 400h.



2004 Hall of Fame Inductees. Back row (left to right): Bob Evans '64 and Ben Hieltjes '87. Front row (left to right) Gary Benson '84, Shana (Jenner) Wilhelm '91, and Greg Jones '79.

Greg Jones '79, Baseball. Greg's career as a Poet baseball player was nothing short of spectacular. He lettered four seasons, and co-captained in his senior year. In addition to being named All-American, All-District NAIA, and All-SCIAC—two years to First Team, two years to Second Team—Greg earned both the Rawlings "Big Stick" Award and Miller Sports Award as one of College Baseball's NAIA Players of the Year.

Ben Hieltjes '87, Men's Lacrosse. Ben was one of the true "pioneers" of men's lacrosse at Whittier and has the distinction of being the first lacrosse player inducted into the Purple & Gold Hall of Fame. In addition to playing for the Poets, Ben played 249 games in his native Canada with the New Westminster, B.C. Salmonbellies between 1986 and 1995, accumulating 338 goals and 424 assists for 762 points. A six-time All-Star, Hieltjes won the Western Lacrosse Association scoring title and Most Valuable Player award in 1987, the League MVP in 1995 and the Mann Cup MVP in 1989. He made five Mann Cup appearances, winning three times. In addition, Ben won two scoring titles and MVP honors in Junior Lacrosse and was a member of the Canadian National Field Lacrosse Team in 1990 and 1994. Ben was honored with induction to the Canadian Lacrosse Hall of Fame in July of 2002.

SEASON OF CHANGE: A WINTER SPORTS OVERVIEW

Returning for his 10th season as head coach of **men's basketball**, Rock Carter '89 is very optimistic about the 2004-05 campaign, particularly with his current roster of players. The overall mix—sharp shooting freshman Jarrod Carroll, leadership of seniors Aaron Dawson, Rene Herrera, and Brett Stell, aided by consistent performers Matt Mesaros '06 and Anthony Garcia '07—has already helped the Poets to a strong season start (7-3 at *The Rock's* press time).



Aaron Dawson '05

Tracy Maple

The Poet hoopsters opened their season at the highly competitive Lopata Tournament, facing the likes of Division III powerhouses host #21 Washington University, St. Louis, and #16 Wittenberg. Coach Carter commented that “meeting these kinds of tough challengers early on in the season ultimately helps to prepare us mentally and physically to compete in the battle for SCIAC.”

Though last year's overall performance in **women's basketball** was disappointing, it can certainly be regarded as a valuable and much-needed season of growth, garnering the opportunity for many then-freshman players to gain substantial playing time.

As a result, the 2004-05 Lady Poets have very bright outlook with the return of key sophomore players, the recruitment of strong transfer and first-year students, and the addition of player-turned-assistant coach Robin Ishibashi '03. The team remains young—no seniors this year—but the coaches agree this can work to Whittier's advantage, despite the fact the game schedule is one of the most demanding in Poet history.

Leading this season's roster are returning starters Camille Stephens '07, Kelly Kisting '07, and Michelle Araw '07, building on their experience from last season. Fortifying the squad are guard Liz Rangel '06, wing Jen Eaton '06, and post player Marissa Vigil '06—all transfer players—combined with freshman newcomers Elaina Toft '08 and Christa Rainville '08.

Another sport with expanding numbers—**men's and women's swimming and diving**—continues on a slow and steady march within SCIAC, with the current roster numbering eight men and eighteen women strong. This season's most notable addition is Head Diving Coach Larry Neberman,



Kim Charlson '06

Tracy Maple

who has had a prolific career as a professional competitive diver at the U.S., collegiate, and club levels and as a successful coach for both McCormick Divers and California High School in Whittier. Neberman is expected to breathe new life into the Poet diving teams, and combined with the unflagging drive and desire of Michael Soria, who returns for his third season as head swim coach, all indications are that this duo will be a winning combination. ◀

Lady Poet Hoopster ROBIN ISHIBASHI '03 Returns To Jacobs Court



This season, alumna Robin Ishibashi makes her triumphant return to Jacobs Court—not as a player this time, rather as an assistant coach for women's basketball. She shared her thoughts with *The Rock* on her new role and what she hopes to bring to the team.

"Being a coach, on the sidelines of a court I used to play on, is strange," she begins. "On one hand, it's frustrating, not being able to put on a uniform and join in the action. On the other hand, I'm finding it extremely rewarding. To me, a coach is a teacher, and it's gratifying to show these players a technique or strategy then see them execute it on the court."

Beyond the mechanics, Ishibashi hopes to provide the team with a bit of perspective in life lessons, as well.

She notes: "Early on, my dad taught me the values of the game, lessons that extend beyond the court. Being a leader, working as a team to achieve one common goal, the failure and the glory, the disappointments and the shockers—everything that applies in the game of basketball applies in the game of life. I hope I can help these girls understand that becoming a good college player is also about becoming the best person you can be and taking life's situations head on and without fear."

When asked about the team's chances to raise its profile in SCIAC, Ishibashi thinks for a moment, then responds with candor.

"We have a young team, which by all means does not make us non-contenders in the SCIAC race," she asserts. "It just means we will have to make up in hard work and dedication what we lack in experience. Two members of the coaching staff, though, are former players, and I had four years experience in the SCIAC conference, so I think that will work to our advantage."

"Because we know what to expect as players," she adds with an air of confidence, "we will do our best to adequately prepare our team as coaches."

While a Lady Poet player, Ishibashi was a three-time recipient of Purple & Gold's Female Team Sports Athlete of the Year; three-time earner of SCIAC First Team honors; and, in 2003, led the conference in steals (106), assists (97), and assists-to-steals ratio.

Ishibashi joins six other alums who are currently coaching Poet sports teams: head coaches **Mike Rizzo '86**, men's baseball, **Mitch Carty '96**, men's water polo, **Tony Boston '99**, track and field, and **Rock Carter '89**, men's basketball and sports information director; and assistant coaches **David Martin '04**, football, and **Nate Nelson '00**, men's baseball. ◀

BATTLE OF THE POETS

Alumni Games @ Whittier College

Men's Baseball

January 22, 10:00 a.m.
Memorial Baseball Field

Women's Softball

February 5, 12:00 p.m.
Charles & Marie Palmer Softball Field

Men's Lacrosse

April 9, 12:00 p.m.
Donald E. Graham Soccer/Lacrosse Field

Welcome Poet Families

Poets Come Home For Whittier Weekend 2004

By Emily Rankin & Theresa Rivas '99

Cnce again, Whittier Weekend welcomed back to campus over 600 of our Poet family—alumni, friends, and parents—who came to celebrate milestone reunions, society brunches, and homecoming festivities October 22-24.

It all began on Friday morning with registration, campus tours, and an event that has grown in popularity over the past few years—Poet College Classes. In previous years, the classes have been specially designed for alumni and parent attendees. This year, however, attendees were given the opportunity to sample from Whittier's current curriculum. The classes went over quite well, as one alumnus parent enthused: "This is my third Whittier Weekend, and while I've enjoyed the special lectures, this year it was fun to sit in on an actual college class. It gave me a glimpse of what the student experience is like today."

Friday evening, Purple & Gold's 18th Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet drew a packed crowd at the Whittier Radisson, as family, teammates, and former coaches cheered on new inductees Gary Benson '84, Bob Evans '64, Ben Hieltjes '86, Shana (Wilhelm) Jenner '91, and Greg Jones '79, who were honored for their athletic triumphs (for more on this story, please see page 17).

An eager group of Poets got off to an early start Saturday morning with a 2.5 mile run along the "Jungle Trail." Fans cheered from the sidelines while alumni, student, "friends of the college," and faculty teams ran the famous trail known for its exciting cross-country challenges. First to emerge at the finish line was alumni team member Luis Ibarra '02, followed closely by Gilbert Salazar '96 and Sean Riordan '00. A speedy Clare Macaulay '88 was the first woman to finish, placing 16th overall. The faculty team, as is their undying tradition, brought up the rear, finishing in last place with an overall score of 96. One tired professor was rumored to gasp: "...But a '96' is a good score on the exams I give."

Saturday morning also marked the annual Golden Anniversary Brunch, open to all alumni who have passed their 50th reunions and this year honoring the latest inductees, the Class of 1954. The featured guest speaker for this event was Andy Wallis, professor of French, who offered an insightful talk on "Travel as Learning, Learning as Travel." One alumnus commented that Dr. Wallis gave "a really enthusiastic explanation of the paired courses system that undergraduates experience." Also on the program was a "State of the College" address offered by Kevin Doody, executive director of development, and the presentation of the Class of '54's Reunion Gift, an impressive \$31,076.00 and the culmination of 40% class par-



ALL IN THE FAMILY. Multi-generational Poets take a momentary breather from the weekend's myriad activities.

ticipation—the highest-ever participation rate for a 50th Reunion class in Whittier history.

Society brunches took place Saturday morning as well, with the Athenian and Orthogonian societies celebrating their 75th anniversaries, and the Lancer, Metaphonian, and William Penn societies commemorating their 70th anniversaries.

In the afternoon crowds of students, alumni, parents, and friends converged upon Newman Field to cheer on the Poet football team at the Homecoming game against Chapman University and to watch the crowning of Homecoming King Terrel Tucker '05, Queen Ashley Barr '05, and their Court. Following the game, the crowd streamed onto Memorial Field for the annual carnival and barbecue, which included festive games, a live rock band, student-run booths, and a delicious meal.

Saturday evening, a reception to present the reunion class gift grand total took place at Naylor Portico. Alumni Board President Jeanette Wong '81 and '69 Reunioner Vince Fraumeni presented the honorary check for \$333,833.44 to Bedford McIntosh, vice president for advancement. Following, 10 classes celebrated their milestone reunions in intimate-yet-boisterous gatherings all over campus and in Uptown Whittier. From the '49ers dining in the Mendenhall Lobby, to the Class of '64 rockin' the night away to the tunes of their generation, to the '99ers partying at Hartley House, alumni treasured the opportunity to remember yesteryear and to reacquire themselves with old friends.

Sunday morning, following the Farewell Brunch at the Campus Inn, alumni, parents, and friends gathered for Whittier College Sunday at First Friends Church. After all goodbyes were said and promises were made to keep in touch, Whittier Weekend 2004 came to an end.

"Whittier Weekend has really become a special event for so many of us," said one departing alumnus sporting a tired-but-happy smile. "It's a chance to reconnect with old friends, remember the good times (and some not so good), revisit our college experience, and just basically be young again. True, *The Rock* helps us to keep track of each other, but seeing your classmates in person and walking around the campus—you just can't put a price on that." ◀

Emily Rankin is director of alumni relations, Theresa Rivas is assistant director and an alumna, class of 1999.



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LANCERS



Photo Courtesy of William Marumoto '57

"Power" Up For 70th Anniversary

By Milt Stark '58

During October's Whittier Weekend and Homecoming, generations of Lancers gathered for the Power Weekend festivities, commemorating the Society's 70th anniversary. The

Lancer Power Weekend was initiated in 1979 by William H. "Mo" Marumoto '57, chairman of the event, and is held every five years. The highlight of this year's celebration was the Power Weekend Brunch and Awards Ceremony held at the Whittier Radisson Hotel. Ken Greenbaum '53 served as master of ceremonies for the morning celebration, and Reverend Dwight Hoelscher '54, chairman of the Lancer Society Achievement Awards Committee, introduced the award recipients.

In an unprecedented act of brotherhood and fellowship, the Lancers honored Orthogonian Rayburn S. Dezember '53 with their inaugural Distinguished American Spirit Award, which recognizes exemplary service to community, organizations, church, and college. This marks the first time one society has honored a member of another society with such a prestigious award.

Another newly instituted prize, The E. Burton Parminter Lifetime Service Award, was given to Tony Pierno '54, retired senior vice president and general counsel for MAXXAM Inc. and former student body

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president. This award was created to honor Burt Parminter '37, longtime Whittier-area insurance executive and a key fundraiser for the Whittier

College Memorial Chapel, a Lancer Society project.

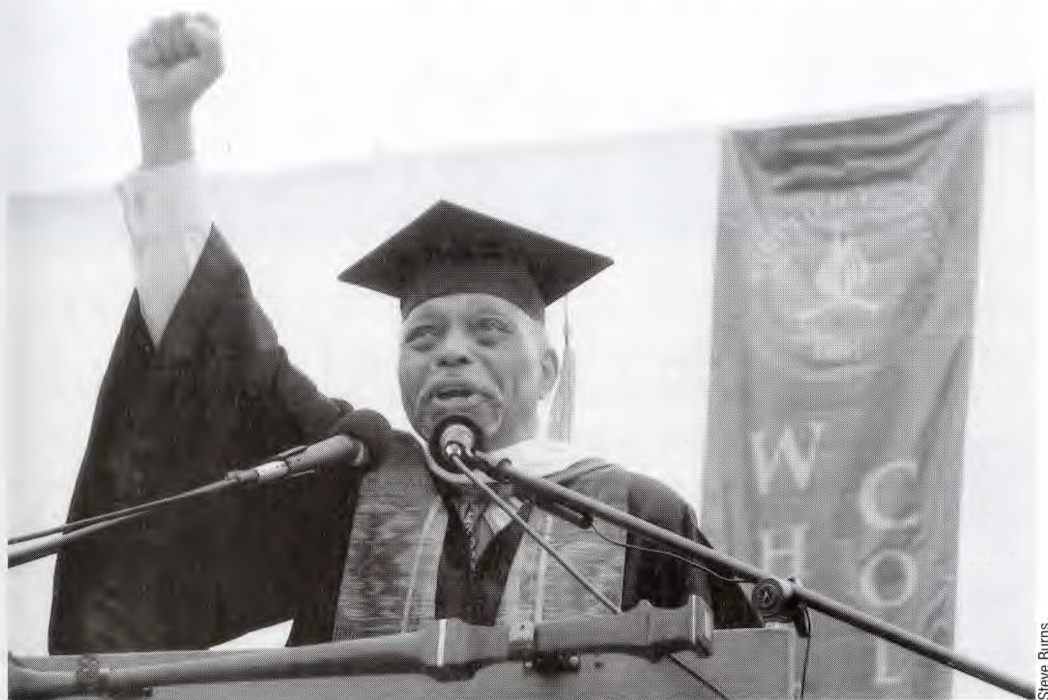
Three Lancers earned the Alumni Distinguished Lifetime Achievement Award: Stu Gothold '56, retired Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools; Bob Rau '62, retired CEO of Rohr, Inc./B.F. Goodrich; and Pete Harris '65, former owner of toy giant FAO Schwarz, and past president and CEO of NFL's San Francisco 49ers.

Last, four alums received Lancer Society Alumni Achievement Awards: Howard Cook '51, a pioneer in the computer industry; Don Jenkins '53, former biology professor and assistant superintendent of instruction for Rio Hondo Community College; Bill Pate '65, a judge in the Superior Court of San Diego County; and Ron Gastelum '68, president and CEO of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California.

Planning has already begun for the 75th Anniversary Power Weekend during the 2009 Whittier Weekend/Whittier College Homecoming. We look forward to seeing you there! ◀

Whittier's 101st COMMENCEMENT

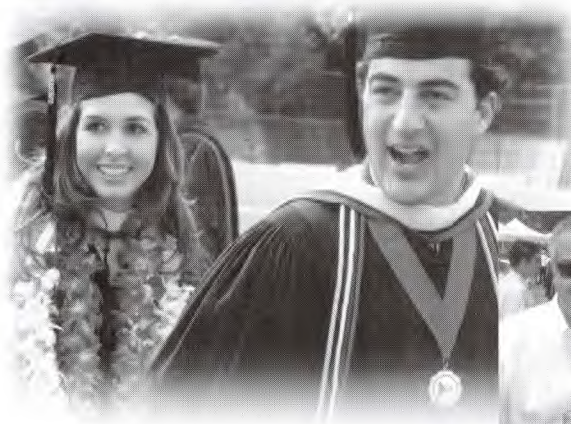
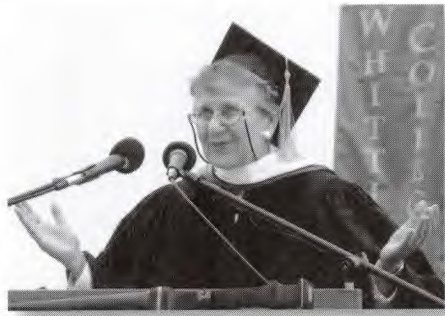
On a bright May day, 270 bachelor's and 47 master's degree candidates and their families filled Memorial Stadium for the 101st Commencement at Whittier College. During the ceremony graduates received a "charge for the future" from President Katherine Will; heard inspirational and passionate words from commencement speaker and renowned pastor for the African Methodist Episcopal Church of Los Angeles Dr. Cecil "Chip" Murray; crossed the stage to collect their degrees; and moved the tassel on their mortarboards from left to right, signaling the end of their Whittier classroom experience and the beginning of a new relationship with the College as alumni. Congratulations, graduates!



The following is excerpted from Dr. Cecil "Chip" Murray's stirring address:

You know that the long bones of the body, the ribs and other long bones, have a substance called marrow, bone marrow. And that bone marrow helps to produce blood. Is there marrow in this graduating class? Is there marrow of understanding that we have everything to live with and, seemingly, nothing to live for? Is there marrow that lets you know your generation is going to live to be 120 years of age?

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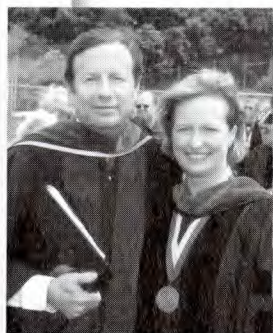
And yet, it is not how long you live, it's how well you live. We're lined up, waiting on the Lone Ranger to come riding in to rescue us. Waiting on somebody to do for us what we must do for ourselves. They have form, but they have no life, no substance.

Then God says to us, send for the wind, send for the breath of God. Remember the breath of God that was infused into clay, how God took nothingness, how God took nihilism, nihilism and created from it something that endures even to this very moment.

Remember how you were utterly downtrodden and you may have gotten out of your bed and got down on your knees and had a little talk with the Lord and the Lord infused you with God's breath? Send for the wind, send for the breath of God. That which you and I call the Holy Spirit of God. If you're in your laboratory and nobody else has invented what you are dreaming of, keep on dreaming it, because you've got a force greater than you going for it.

If you decide to start your business, remember that your business starts with God's business, and the business of God is trusting in God. God never gave anybody anything he wanted you to have, so you don't have to be envious. God has given each and every one of us a special gift. So God says send for that gift, send for the Holy Spirit, send for the wind. And Ezekiel turns to north and south and east and west, and he sends for the wind and the breath of God, and the breath of God infuses those who were standing in form and fashion—and they begin to move, marching toward Jerusalem. That army is marching right now past Whittier College. That army is moving right now, saying, "If you believe it, you can achieve it."

Can these bones live? The answer is blowing in the wind, all you have to do is inhale. Yes, it can happen. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you, Whittier College, now and forever more. Amen. ◀



Honorary Degrees Conferred On Distinguished Guests

Keynote speaker Dr. Cecil L. "Chip" Murray, was awarded a Doctor of Humane Letters honorary degree at the May commencement exercises. Other honorary degree recipients were Simon A. Levin, the George M. Moffett Professor of Biology at Princeton University and founding director of the Princeton Environmental Institute; Martin Ortiz '48, director emeritus of the Center of Mexican American Affairs at Whittier; and B. LaRae Orullian, corporate leader and past national president and former chair of the Girl Scouts of the USA. Also pictured, former Whittier College President Katherine Will. ◀



Photos by Steve Burns

Trading Spaces:

RICK GILCHRIST '68 TELLS HIS OWN
"L.A. STORY"



Since its inception in 1982, the Executive Leader Luncheon Series has brought chief officers in a variety of industries together with Whittier College students, faculty, and community members. Sponsored by the Board of Visitors of the Department of Business Administration and Economics, this intimate format of luncheon, lecture, and Q&A session provides a unique learning experience that supplants typical classroom lectures with real-world case studies. Last spring, the Series welcomed Richard I. "Rick" Gilchrist '68, co-CEO and president of Maguire Properties. Gilchrist, who is also chair of the Whittier College Board of Trustees, shared his experience of taking a privately-owned real estate company into an initial public stock offering. The event drew approximately 225 business and community leaders, faculty from numerous disciplines, and business administration and economics students, among others. The following is excerpted from Gilchrist's remarks.

An L.A. Story – The Maguire Properties IPO in a Changing Public Market Environment

I was asked to speak about the recent initial public stock offering process (or IPO) that my company, Maguire Properties, completed last year. Inextricably related to that event, however, is another story that I would like to emphasize, without which our public offering would not have succeeded, and that is the story of the rebirth of downtown Los Angeles as the business, cultural, and even public transportation focal point of the greater Southern California region.

Let me begin with a little history about our company, how we determined to take it public, and then describe our IPO process in the context of a changing public market environment.

Maguire Properties was founded as a commercial real estate company by Rob Maguire in the mid 1960s. Rob is now our chairman—for you students in the room,





Photo Courtesy Maguire Properties

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his college training to become one of the most astute and well-known real estate executives in the country over the last four decades was as a political science major, English minor, and then a stint as vice president of Security Pacific Bank for a short period. As Rob describes it, he quit “just seconds before they fired him” and decided he’d better be the boss from that point forward to avoid future job insecurity. That, by the way, is also my advice to you students—Be the boss if you can; it’s much more fun.

In the 1980s and 1990s, the Maguire organization became one of the largest and most successful real estate companies in the United States. We grew from a handful of direct employees to about 300—very large for a real estate company. The focus of the company was and is the development, ownership, and management of very large, high-quality office projects (frequently skyscrapers) leased to major, national companies.

Most of the projects were developed by us from the ground up, generally with world-class architecture, often in joint ventures or partnerships with significant tenants in those buildings—such as IBM, Wells Fargo Bank, Bank of America, law firm Gibson Dun & Crutcher, and Southern California Gas Company. Most of the projects are located in downtown Los Angeles and elsewhere in L.A. County. These include downtown L.A. projects such as the Library Tower (now U.S. Bank Tower), at 73 stories the tallest building west of Chicago—and I think it is fair to say, the signature building in the downtown skyline, as well as Wells Fargo Center and Gas Company Tower.

So life was very good for Maguire Properties and other owners and developers of office properties until the office real estate depression of the early to mid-1990s, which saw unanticipated and fundamental changes in the availability of capital, tenant demand for office space, and, therefore, substantially decreasing property values. Typical leverage—the amount of mortgage debt as a percentage of property value—averaged as much as 75-80% or more before values dropped, so many commercial properties were under water after values declined, meaning worth less than the debt they were carrying.

You may remember the environment—it was the age of the dot-comers and the beginning of the Internet. Many pronounced that a fundamental, secular change had occurred, that the old-fashioned real estate of “bricks and mortar” was obsolete, that people did not need or want to interact in the old, literally hands-on office culture and environment.

For the Maguire organization, and other commercial real estate companies like it, the last years of the 90s and early 2000s was a period of adjustment and, in some cases, survival. Maguire continued to control its major high-quality and substantially leased assets, enjoyed a tremendous market share that has now grown to over 60% of the best Bunker Hill submarket in downtown L.A., and maintained a strong national reputation

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for excellence—but the portfolio was highly leveraged (that is, too much expensive debt requiring substantial debt service), and there was a lack of growth capital—money with which to acquire or develop new properties and to grow the portfolio.

After considering many alternatives, the strategic answer to the question of how to access substantial capital and best position and grow the company became clear—fraught with difficulty with an uncertain outcome at best—but clear. Prepare for and take the company public on the New York Stock Exchange as a real estate investment trust (or REIT). And, for the period from early 2002 until June 2003 (about 18 months), we undertook the journey of our professional lives to reach that objective.

As you may know, a REIT is a company that owns and operates income-producing real estate of all types; is generally traded on a major stock exchange; must distribute at least 90% of its taxable income to shareholders as dividends; pays no corporate income tax; and was created by congress in 1960 to allow all investors an opportunity to invest equity in large-scale real estate.

While we had many strengths and appeal as a potential public REIT, as the investment bankers would frequently remind us, we also had what they called “issues,” many of which were macro in nature and totally outside of our control.

To give you a few examples: There had not been an IPO for a REIT in the U.S. of any kind for six years, since 1997, as the public capital markets recoiled from the excesses of the dot-com IPO period, the Russian currency meltdown, and other events.

The size of our offering—about \$800 million in equity—would be the largest IPO in the United States of any kind and in any industry in over a year, as the world-wide capital markets for IPOs had all but shut down.

Geopolitics were also more than a slight problem. As you will remember, it was in late winter and early spring of 2003 that the United States was moving inevitably toward the war in Iraq, which



many Wall Street experts were predicting would close any window of opportunity for significant IPOs.

You will also remember 2002 and 2003 as the time of the Enron, Tyco, Arthur Andersen and other major corporate scandals marked by accounting irregularities and executive abuses, which greatly compromised the confidence of investors everywhere. These events appropriately spawned a wave of new legislation, including most

notably the Sarbanes Oxley legislation, as well as involvement of various special interest groups, that imposed new and far-reaching corporate governance controls over all public companies, many of which affected us as we prepared to take our company public.

And, in this same time period, the Securities and Exchange Commission and the New York Attorney General's Office were imposing stipulated judgments and the largest Wall Street fines ever (totaling about \$2 billion) on almost all of the major investment banking firms—including ours—for inappropriate relationships between the research side and the banking side of those firms. This had led to biased promotion of new issuances by the research side to benefit the sales side of these firms and favorable IPO allocations to friends and family, all to the detriment of the average American investor.

And finally, more directly to our business, there was a concern expressed about the concentration of the majority of our portfolio within a few blocks radius in downtown Los Angeles—for example, we were asked on more than one occasion, “With all those big buildings next to each other, during an earthquake, if one building falls, will it hit the next and so on like dominos until they all fall down?” The answer, by the way, is “No, not to worry,” but that is a different discussion.

So, in spring of last year, this is where we found ourselves: If we moved forward with our IPO, we would be the first REIT to do so in many years. We would be attempting to be the biggest IPO of any kind in the United States that year. The uncertainty of Iraq and war in the Middle East loomed ahead. And Congress and the SEC were changing the rules for public companies and the IPO process on an almost daily basis.

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Of course, we did what would any Whittier College-educated person would do in such circumstances. We decided to go for it.

While the challenges and uncertainties were daunting, we also had many strengths and advantages: Great properties. Analysts called us the "Los Angeles trophy REIT."

High occupancy with strong tenants. About 85% of our company revenue is derived from investment-grade credit tenants or other nationally recognized firms, which gives us an unusually reliable and steady cash flow. That, in turn, allowed us to provide a very attractive initial dividend rate of about 8.3%, compared to the typical Dow Jones dividend of about 2-3% or miniscule money market and Treasury returns.

We had a historically low—incredibly low—interest rate environment in which to refinance all of our much more expensive existing debt.

And, I think, as important as any one positive factor, is our geographical focus in Southern California, downtown Los Angeles, in particular.

Which takes me to the L.A. part of this story. As we would tell potential investors on our IPO roadshow, particularly in the east and Europe, "You may think you know L.A., but you don't." And here, quickly, are some of the reasons why, and why Whittier College and its students are so fortunate to be located here and now.

The greater L.A. region is a huge, dynamic, and richly diverse area. If it were a nation, it would be the tenth largest economy in the world. The L.A. economy is extremely diverse and not dependent upon any one driver. Witness the creation and meteoric rise of the entertainment industry; the fact that it is the largest port district in the United States with substantial international trade; it is the significant beneficiary of military and international and homeland defense commitments; and it is a legal and financial services center in the U.S. For example, about 40% of Maguire's nine million ft. portfolio is leased to financial service companies and major law firms.

The demographics of Los Angeles are compelling. We account for more jobs than any city other than New York and Chicago, and L.A. is projected to grow at a higher rate than either; population growth is projected to increase in the next three years at the fastest rate in the country and double the national average over the next 30 years. Over the last several years, downtown L.A. has had one of the healthiest office and investment markets in the country, both in terms of office

fundamentals (rents and occupancy), and investment activity in both volume and low cap rates, which equates to high prices. Overall, L.A. has been one of the top three office markets in the U.S., along with New York City and Washington, D.C.

Even more surprising to some of you may be the dramatic changes that have occurred in downtown L.A. over the last five years. While not quite a 24-hour city yet, it is moving toward that status. This renaissance is fueled by the investment of over \$12 billion in the last decade, focused principally in transportation improvements (public transit railways and roadways that cover about 500 miles), residential development (a two-year 55% increase in residential units, including loft conversions and new apartment construction), and the addition of major cultural and entertainment venues (such as Staples Center, Walt Disney Concert Hall, and Our Lady of Angels Cathedral). So, for the first time, downtown has in place a remarkable infrastructure to encourage and support substantial growth and to create an increasingly vibrant urban environment.

So it was on June 3 of last year that we finished the incredibly difficult SEC filing process that had begun in November of the previous year—armed with strengths of our company and the L.A. story—and embarked on a three-week roadshow to institutional investors to sell our company. We started in New York, then London, Holland, back to New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, D.C., Chicago, Dallas, Minneapolis, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and finally back to New York. In all, over 80 individual institutional investor meetings and major luncheon presentations, usually beginning with a 7:00a.m. meeting and ending that night. Almost like a rock band—well, not really, only in my dreams.

On June 24, Rob Maguire, our CFO, and I sat in a conference room in New York—with more investment bankers than should ever be assembled in one place—and completed the transaction. We had priced the stock at \$19 per share and sold over 40 million shares, with shareholders comprising 65% institutional and the remaining 35% in retail or individuals. We received 2.5 times the required investor demand, which, in banker-speak, created the "desired sense of scarcity," and we raised \$800 million of new equity. We also refinanced our debt—about \$1.2 billion worth—at the previously unimaginable rate of about 4.3%, over 80% of which is fixed for the next seven years. This delivered us from very high levels to less than 50% debt to total market capitalization. And, for you students still searching for a profession, keep in mind

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that we paid over \$60 million in fees to lawyers, accountants, and investment bankers. Give you any ideas?

Armed with new capital and a strong balance sheet, we have successfully completed about \$700 million in new acquisitions since the IPO, and grown the company from about \$1.8 billion at IPO to almost \$3 billion today. We were also able to go back to the capital markets in January and raise another \$250 million of perpetual preferred capital, which is the largest such unrated offering in REIT history. And, at the bottom line, our stock has been up about 30-35% in the ten months since the IPO.

Through it all, it has been a remarkable experience. There have been many lessons learned, and some primary observations to be made.

First, while this country's financial markets have gone through some difficult experiences over the last few years, we have the most transparent and reliable public market system in the world. Hands down, no question.

Second, the new and aggressive financial reporting and corporate governance requirements imposed on public companies by Sarbanes Oxley and other new rules have, perhaps, swung the pendulum of regulation too far in some instances, but on balance, they provide an appropriate and effective degree of control that serves the American investor well.

Third, the IPO process does need further regulation and clarification—so that it is more open and available to the broader investing public and not to just a relatively select few.

Fourth, the transition for us from a long-term private to a public company has been what we had hoped and expected, and has allowed us to accomplish our goals of access to relatively low-cost capital and a platform for consistent growth. (Although I would add that it is still somewhat disarming to receive a daily or even hourly public report card on our performance in the form of our stock price.)

And finally, a personal lesson I am reminded of frequently in my life: how thankful I am to Whittier College for having the patience to deal with an immature 18-year old freshman all those many years ago, and to then teach me the wonderful values of a quality, liberal arts education. ◀

**The next Executive Leader Luncheon is scheduled for spring 2005.*

Executive Leader Luncheon Series' History of Distinguished Speakers

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| 1982 | E.L. Shannon, Jr. Chairman & CEO, Santa Fe International Corporation |
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| 2004 | Richard I. Gilchrist '68 , Co-CEO & President, Maguire Properties ◀ |

Happy New Year, Alumni!

Early this fall I began my term as president of the Alumni Association, and already I've been fortunate to meet many of you at various alumni gatherings—particularly over Whittier Weekend—and hear your hopes for and answer your questions about the College and the Alumni Association. Keeping these lines of communication open is crucial, so I am also thrilled to have this opportunity to update you on news and upcoming events through our newest edition of *The Rock*!

2005 POET AWARDS: The 2005 Poet Awards Gala will take place Friday, October 1, and nominations will be accepted through March 31st. This is an outstanding way to honor classmates or friends who exhibit dedication and the true Poet spirit in their daily lives. Candidates will be considered for the Alumni Service Award, Alumni Achievement Award, Alumni Community Service Award, Outstanding Young Alumna/us Award, and the Honorary Alumni Award. A complete list of criteria and instructions on how to submit your nomination can be found on the inside front cover of this magazine.

TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES: Our Alumni Office is offering three wonderful travel programs next year. The first will be Whittier Winery Weekend, a trip to the central coast of California during the weekend of March 11-13. As part of this trip, Bob Brown '62 and his wife Marianne will host a lunch at their winery, the Pretty Penny Vineyard, in



The Alumni Association Board for 2004-2005. Back row (standing, left to right): Kathleen Kane '71, Professor of Economics Greg Woïrol (faculty representative), William Mason '72, Doug Bennett '65, Chris Schoemann '87, Heidi Moavud '94, José Casillas '87, Don Remley '69, Geoff Price '94. Middle row (left to right): Linda Pappas-Diaz '78, Kevin Burke '88, Toni Baker '66, Jeanette Wong '81, Bill Harris '80, Kris Dobbyn '68, Deborah Arroyo '90. Front row, (seated, left to right): Mike Shonborn '79, Dennis Welch '68.

Paso Robles. Next, the 3rd Annual Oregon Shakespeare Festival trip will take place July 14-17. As in years past, '49ers Dick and Mary Mastain will open their home for an alumni reception in Ashland. Finally, we will explore central Italy during a nine-day trip to the Chianti region from October 30-November 7. Detailed information about all of these trips and how to register will be mailed to you in January 2005. However, if you'd like additional information immediately, you can always visit the alumni website or contact the Alumni Office directly.

THE WHITTIER FUND: Whittier College has set an impressive goal to raise \$1million in annual fund gifts and pledges for the 2004-05 fiscal year, an appeal that speaks directly to every generation of Poet alums. Each of us uniquely shares in the Whittier experience—first as students, then as alumni—and each of us has benefited from that

experience. Please do consider making a gift to the Whittier Fund to ensure that current and future students have that same chance. Your contribution—no matter the amount—will help to build scholarships and provide excellent academic and co-curricular opportunities for our future Poet alums.

Thank you for your continued overall support of the Alumni Association and of the College. Remember to make sure that the Alumni Office has your e-mail address so you can receive the monthly Poet e-Newsletter. It is truly the best way to stay up-to-date on campus news and alumni happenings. ◀

Warmest regards,

Jeanette Christine Wong

Jeanette Wong '81
President

Movers & Shakers

If you should find yourself at Sharp Grossmont Hospital in La Mesa, CA, you might see a familiar Poet name on the building map. **Douglas Smith '57**—who served for over two decades as a director for the Patient and Family Services Department, founded the social work and chaplain's programs, as well as many other senior-focused and innovative programs for patients and the community—has a suite of offices named in his honor. Smith continues to work at the hospital as a senior representative in the Patient Relations Department.

Former Lady Poet tennis player **Pamela (Honn) Elliott '63** is still a formidable force on the courts. Elliot was inducted into the Utah Tennis Hall of Fame, an organization that honors and recognizes those individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the sport of tennis in the State of Utah. Candidates are nominated and elected on the basis of their achievements in tennis and contributions of service to organized tennis.

Fred Anderson '66, recently retired executive vice president and chief financial officer for Apple Computers, Inc., was invited to continue with the company as a member of its Board of Directors. According to Apple CEO Steve Jobs, "Fred is widely regarded as one of the industry's leading financial experts and we want his guidance and judgment to continue benefiting Apple's shareholders. Though it is currently out of vogue to add insiders to boards, Fred is the exception to the rule." This summer, Anderson also accepted an appointment to the Board of Directors for eBay, the world's online marketplace.

The 21st edition of *Who's Who in the World* includes **Gabriela Kaplan '68**, whose work regarding the crisis of world overpopulation has been shared with world leaders and Nobel Laureates, leading the United Nations in 1998 to formally recognize the urgency of this issue.

Kathleen Kane '71 has been named executive vice president of development and external affairs for the City of Hope, a leading biomedical research and treatment center for cancer and other life-threatening diseases located in Duarte, CA.

At City of Hope, she will oversee more than 15 fund-raising industry groups as well as its 14 development offices throughout the country. She will direct all aspects of fund raising, including the institution's multi-million dollar capital campaign for its state-of-the-art Helford Clinical Research Hospital, as well as the institution's marketing and communications, government relations and community relations efforts.

Universal Studios Hollywood (USH) lured theme park attraction designer **John Murdy '89** back to California with position as creative director in the Entertainment Production Division. Murdy rejoins USH after spending eight years with Universal Parks & Resorts in Orlando devising rides and attractions, including the recent "Revenge of the Mummy-The Ride" roller coaster for Universal theme parks worldwide. Murdy will oversee the creative development and quality control of all Universal Studios Hollywood shows and live attractions. ◀

Poet Pursues A Fulbright Life In The Middle East

*Postponing graduate work for another year, **Ryan Brizendine '98** is in Damascus, Syria, learning Arabic and studying Islam as a Fulbright Scholar, one of approximately 2,000 students selected to study abroad this academic year. The program, established by Senator J. William Fulbright of Arkansas, is sponsored by the United States Department of State's*

Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, and its purpose is to build mutual understanding between the U.S. and the rest of the world.

We asked Brizendine, a Whittier Scholar who majored in both philosophy and English, to describe his journey from Whittier College to Syria. Here's what he had to say.

How did your major relate to your Fulbright studies?

My foremost interest has always been in philosophy, specifically in classical and religious philosophies, as opposed to modern (or "post-modern"), Western and/or secular "philosophy." At Whittier, I was most interested in Asian (Indian and Chinese) and ancient Greek philosophies, which I primarily studied under associate professor of philosophy Paul Kjellberg and also while in India on the South India Term Abroad (SITA) program.

My interest in Islamic philosophy grew out of these undergraduate studies. Still largely under-recognized within academia generally, Islamic philosophy and mysticism actually represent a further flowering of earlier Greek, especially "Neoplatonic" thought. I believe it serves as a very interesting parallel or analogue with the Hindu intellectual tradition, in so far as both comprise well developed religious and philosophical teachings of "non-duality," asserting ultimately that all that exists is either one Being (in the case of Islam) or one Consciousness (in the case of Hinduism). I also became interested in studying the Islamic intellectual tradition for the reason that it offers many interesting insights vis-à-vis Western



Christianity and the eventual triumph of secular modernism.

What exactly are you doing in Syria now?

I'm studying Arabic privately with a tutor, three hours per day five days a week. If I find after a few months that my Arabic abilities are strong enough for it, I may begin reading some classical philosophical and mystical (i.e., Sufi) texts in Arabic out loud with a tutor, most likely a religious scholar who specializes in the subject.

After you graduated from Whittier, what sort of supplemental academic work did you pursue that contributed to winning a Fulbright?

As soon as I graduated, I returned to South India for about seven months, as a program assistant for SITA. While there, I spent some time studying a particular school of Hindu philosophy. I also audited classes in religious studies and languages—including ancient Greek, Buddhism, Islamic studies and Arabic—at Reed College, Lewis & Clark College, George Washington University, Georgetown University, and the University of Virginia. In addition, I conducted research and wrote for two non-profit organizations in Washington, D.C. For one, I wrote a paper on the way in which classical Chinese thought (Confucianism and Daoism) would view the Western conception of justice. For the other, I helped produce and edit the recently published *Islam, Fundamentalism and the Betrayal of Tradition*.

Where do you go from here?

I was admitted to the divinity schools at Harvard and the University of Chicago, as well as to a program in Arab Studies at Georgetown. If my plans do not change upon my return to the U.S., I will pursue a doctorate in comparative philosophy of religion at University of Chicago, focusing on Hindu and Islamic philosophy and mysticism. I hope to teach comparative philosophy of religion at the university level; already I have a handful of teaching experiences, mostly English, and have enjoyed them very much. ◀

Award-Winning Poets

★ **Dr. David Fukushima '39** received the 2003 Poet Award for Alumni Achievement for outstanding career achievement.

★ **Fred Dukes '49** was honored with the 2004 California State University at Bakersfield Presidential Medal for nearly a quarter-century of dedicated service.

★ **Fred Winnen '49** was honored by the City of Pico Rivera for 50 years of service with the city's Lions Club.

★ **Dr. Barbara June "BJ" (Fauskin) Hill '50** earned the 2003 Poet Award for Alumni Community/Public Service, for important contributions made to her community.

★ **Don Jenkins '53** received the "Fellow of the College" Award from the Rio Hondo Board of Trustees.

★ **John Hergesheimer '54** earned the Hilda Taba Award from the California Council for Social Studies.

★ **John Duncan '57** was awarded the 2002 Alumni Lifetime Achievement Award by the Class of 1957.

★ **Douglas Smith '57** received the Sharp Grossmont Hospital Lifetime Achievement Award and had a suite of hospital offices named in his honor for over two decades of dedicated service.

★ **Ray Dezember '53, L.H.D.'94** earned the 2003 Poet Award for Alumni Service, for extensive service to the College since graduation.

★ **Dena (Turpen) Deck '71** was named California Science Teacher of the Year for the 2002-2003 academic year.

★ **Lawrence Nevis '84** earned a meritorious achievement award from the Army National Guard, for service in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

★ **John Murdy '89** received the 2003 Poet Award for Outstanding Young Alumnus, for his significant career achievement since graduation from Whittier. ▶

Seeking All Poet Memories For Centennial Celebration

To mark the 100th anniversary of the Associated Students of Whittier College (ASWC), a Centennial Celebration is tentatively scheduled for April 2005, organized by the current ASWC and supported by the Office of Advancement and various campus departments and student clubs. In order to appropriately commemorate the traditions, the turning points, and the hallmarks that have made this institution what it is today, the ASWC is planning an art exhibit featuring photos, artifacts, and oral histories of the College.

However, the success of this project relies largely on the generosity of Whittier's alumni. We encourage each of you to submit for inclusion anything you feel best represents your time at Whittier—everything from photos and scrapbook articles to personal stories recounting your favorite campus experiences, popular hobbies/sports, and memorable classmates, professors, and events. These donations will form the basis for a permanent collection on the history of Whittier College.

Please send your contributions to the address below before March 5, 2005, and give future generations of students a chance to know the Poets who are a vital part of Whittier's living history. ▶

Thank you,

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To submit a note for Poet to Poet, please send your information to your class agent (contact information is listed at the start of each class year). If there is no class agent listed, please send your news directly to therock@whittier.edu or to **Whittier College Office of Alumni Relations, P.O. Box 634, Whittier, CA 90608.**

The Rock reserves the right to edit all class notes for length and clarity. Engaged? Expecting? Please let us know after the fact, and we'll be thrilled to share your news. Until then, we regret we cannot publish this information.

MARRIAGES

Joyce Greenway '64 and Jim Johnson, in March of 2001. ♣ Nancy (Rubin) Matloff '73 and spouse, February 22, 2002. ♣ Donnajean Stewart '75 and Richard Matthews in 2001. ♣ Richard Scaffidi '76 and Gail Godown '83, May 27, 2003. ♣ Mike Rizzo '86 and Susan Sinfield '88 in 2003. ♣ Simone Luyt '88 and Robert Walker, February 15, 2003. ♣ Anne Shupek '88 and Brad Miller, August 16, 2003. ♣ John Murdy '89 and Deidre Fitzpatrick, August 12, 2004. ♣ L. Mercer Borden IV '91 and Jennifer Nabors, July 19, 2003. ♣ Michael Hess '92 and Yvonne Torres '93, April 4, 2004. ♣ Isabel Ziegler '92 and Derek Sanden, August 31, 2002. ♣ Julie Corsentino '93 and David Hansen, October 27, 2001. ♣ Carrie (Haas) Jacovini '94 and spouse, May 19, 2001. ♣ Alan Galloway '94 and Rebecca Roberts, August 11, 2002. ♣ Evan McDaniel '94 and Kristin Helms '99, in August of 2004. ♣ Julie Saige '94 and Brian Landrum, August 3, 2002. ♣ Vanessa Woodruff '94 and Dave Ross, in May, 1997. ♣ Jiten Bhatt '95 and Priti Bhatt, in August of 2002. ♣ Tracy Kemp '96 and Mark McManus, March 14, 2004. ♣ Nancy (Stewart) Grove '97 and spouse, February 15, 2003. ♣ Bill Gates '98 and Julie Pennington '99, in July of 2003. ♣ Aisha Hussain '98 and Ricki Reynolds, in March of 2002. ♣ Jennifer Perkins '98 and Rycklon Stephens, March 3, 2004. ♣ Marie-Ann (Bennett) Carroll '99 and spouse, in November of 2003. ♣ Tim Kazilles '99 and Kimberly

Rowley, October 11, 2003. ♣ Tony Padilla '99 and Paulina Ascensio '02, November 8, 2002. ♣ Elizabeth De La Paz '01 and Ruben Cruz, June 26, 2004. ♣ Jami Bouza '02 and Joseph Mendoza, April 21, 2003. ♣ Amy Faucher '03 and Joel-Patrick Millsap, July 5, 2003.

BIRTHS

To Helen and Russell Arens '84, a son, Brian William, November 20, 2003. ♣ To Mike Rizzo '86 and Susan (Sinfield) '88, a son, Ryan Michael, October 24, 2003. ♣ To Terri (Reggio) '87 and Jeff Kabel, a son, Benjamin Joseph, January 22, 2004. ♣ To Megan (Lunstrom) '88 and Darren "Rock" Carter '89, a daughter, Caroline Valmarie, April 10, 2004. ♣ To Linda (Bennett) '89 and Anthony Newman, a daughter, Meredith, December 21, 2003. ♣ To Rebecca (Rasko) '89 and Patrick Valdez, a daughter, Genna Madison, January 13, 2004. ♣ To Lorri (Porr) '90 and Ariel Sabban, a son, Nathaniel Michael, June 10, 2003. ♣ To August Harrigan '91 and Emmeline (Elzin) '94, a son, Ethan Edward, May 12, 2003. ♣ To Celia and Scott Rothenberg '91, a boy, Aryeh Jacob, February 24, 2004. ♣ To Alison (Erler) '92 and Robert deGeus, a son, Jacob Thomas, in 2003. ♣ To Brooke Daggett '92 and Bob Greczanik '93, a daughter, Makena Lanai, October 20, 2004. ♣ To Laura (Gottlieb) '92 and Ken Feldman, a son, Max Ethan, April 28, 2003. ♣ To Sheri (Hansmeier) '92 and Floyd Cheung '92, a son,

Benjamin Lawrence, April 29, 2004. ♣ To Michael Shore '92 and Kirsten (Belknap) '93, a daughter, Hallie Elizabeth, November 20, 2002. ♣ To Latrice (Wilson) '92 and Mark Martinez, a daughter, Mimi Bella, September 16, 2004. ♣ To Peter Pepperell '93 and Jennifer (Deitch) '94, a daughter, Ainsley Kaye, December 11, 2003. ♣ To Carlos Gomez '93 and Doreen O'Connor-Gomez, a son, Aidan Juan Carlos, May 1, 2003. ♣ To Gregory Kemp '93 and Chi (Catello) '96, a son, Logan John, September 24, 2004. ♣ To Maria (Sanchez) '93 and Mike McCullough, a son, December 30, 2003. ♣ To Sharon and Duston Brunson '94, a son, Macartney, August 19, 2000. ♣ To Sandra (Castillo) '94 and Marino Angulo '96, a daughter, Isabela, in April of 2002. ♣ To Jill (Clark) '94 and Thomas Meiburg, a son, Henry Winston, December 19, 2002. ♣ To Deborah (Fisk) '94 and Ross Boelsen, a daughter, Ava, in February of 2002. ♣ To Carrie (Haas) Jacovini '94 and spouse, a daughter, Savanna Hope, April 25, 2003. ♣ To Kate (Innes) '94 and Paul Carman, a son, Max Everett, December 25, 2001. ♣ To Carson (Jordan) '94 and Andrew Hill, a daughter, Olivia Jordan, July 13, 2004. ♣ To Jennifer (Prottas) '94 and Eric Lowe, a daughter, Allison Sydney, May 24, 2002. ♣ To Julie (Terral) '94 and Nicholas Seewald, a son, Kody Nicholas, December 12, 2001. ♣ To Vanessa (Woodruff) '94 and Dave Ross, a daughter, Michele, in September of 2001. ♣ To Andrea (Feldman) '95 and Scott McGehee, a son, Gavin Ashford, March 19, 2003. ♣ To Amy

(Birch) '96 and Brian Uhlik, a son, Reed Christopher, August 13, 2003. ♣ To Justine (Fuss) '96 and Jason Alderwick, a daughter, Anya, in April of 2003. ♣ To Alex Koers '96 and Melissa (Inman) '99, a son, Ethan Alexander Keko'ikai, January 11, 2003. ♣ To Monique (DeVoe) '97 and Todd Dorado, a son, Bailey Thayer, December 29, 2002. ♣ To Paulina (Ascensio) '02 and Tony Padilla '02 a son, Sebastian Antonio, July 4, 2003. ♣ To Dina Reynoso '03, a daughter, Mia Rose, April 16, 2004.

1933

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❖ Edward Berger is still living in Ohio and golfing. In recent months he flew to his children's home city of Tuscon where he met a vision specialist who has performed several successful treatments leading to improved vision. ❖ Pauline (Bolt) Cook lives in Glendale near her daughter and is still an enthusiastic bridge player. ❖ Elizabeth (Brewer) Hutchison lives near family in Redding, "a stunningly beautiful setting." She participates in a writing group and an eye support



The Class of 1930s

STEVE BURNS

group. ♦ **Joanne (Browne) Belben** writes "In some ways I don't really feel retired. I continue to work with the Whittier College Women's Auxiliary. I plan regular monthly meetings of the Book Review Group at Quaker Gardens. I have a wonderful circle of nieces and nephews whose educations and careers I follow closely. Somehow, I never have time to twiddle my thumbs, but after all, that isn't much fun."

♦ **Winifred (Davies) Church** still works as a volunteer for the American Cancer Society. She also reports that she has switched from golf to dominoes. ♦ **Ruth (Freeman) Dunn** lives happy in Mountain Ranch, surrounded by a large and loving family. ♦ **Flossie (Hoffman) Ormsby** retired from a long career as a valued and valuable public school music teacher. ♦ **Ione Olney** earned a degree from Sawyer Business School and began working for Bank of America, leading to a long career in banking. She lives independently in her own apartment and is well and happy. ♦ **Marie (Phelan) Halliday** lives in La Habra with her daughter nearby. ♦ **Homer Rosenberger**, a distinguished doctor, and wife **Alice** live in Irvine. Homer spent his sophomore year at Whittier, then completed his undergrad and medical degrees at Stanford in 1939. ♦ **Vivien (Rucker) Hutchison** enjoys the amenities in a retirement residence in Pasadena. Like many of us she finds driving the Los Angeles freeways "daunting."

♦ **Fred Simmons** moved to Sun City to be closer to his daughter. ♦ **Camilla (Vincent) Simmons** reports that in January, she moved from independent living to assisted living in Quaker Gardens. "That's all the traveling I plan to do." ♦ **Richard Thomson**, class president, has kept the '34 class reuniting at regular intervals. He writes: "Enrolling at Whittier began a life of education, opportunities, and friendships that made the City of Whittier my 'Home Town' and enabled me to

serve as alumni director for seven years before retiring. Our reunions are memorable, the best being our 36th at the White House with Richard Nixon, the 37th president of the United States. The class of 1934 is indeed a very, very special class." ♦ **Margaret (Way) Hodge**, great-grandmother to 11 kids, maintains great health and goes to a twice-weekly exercise class. ♦ **Ola Florence (Welch)** and **Gail Jobe** are still in their "beautiful" Sedona, AZ, home. ♦ **Lee Whistler** keeps very busy with church and family. "I still swim and bike with my two new hips, but I don't run the 100-yard dash. And I still drive in daylight." ♦ **Richard Youngquist** lives "on the shores of the Pacific" in Corona del Mar with his son and family in nearby Newport. He has a wonderful life and has seen the world! He reports: "My health is good for an old man, but I wish I was 16 again."

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Madilina (Abaru) Paddock celebrated her 90th birthday and lives in a spacious and comfortable retirement facility. ♦ **Lois (Bushby) Morse** and her husband live in Northern California, close by to their three great-grandchildren. They have a motorhome and love to go camping; Lois also enjoys gardening. ♦ **Dorothy (Metcalf) Howard** is mother to Leslie Howard, current Whittier College sociology professor.

1937

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Virginia (Garretson) Corneliussen reports having an extremely happy and full life as a minister's wife. She lives in Santa Cruz, where her church dedicated the "Prayer Tower" to her husband. Of their three sons, one is an engineer, one is a Lt. Col. in the Air Force, and son Peter is an organist/director in a North Carolina church.

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Dorothy (Bennett) Reddick lives on the "beautiful central coast," where she keeps busy with family and church activities and responsibilities. ♦ **Richard Chidester** lives in Santa Fe and is still very much devoted to his religion. ♦ **Ruth (Hocking) Smith** remains an active supporter of worthwhile causes, age notwithstanding. She remains proud of her Broad Oaks degree and teaching credentials. ♦ **Lorna (McLean) Martin** notes that with seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren, her "life is wonderful!" She still drives, is active in the church, and visits Maryland and Florida to visit family and friends. ♦ **Dr. William Ritchey** is teaching classes on controversial Biblical and theological subjects in area churches. ♦ **Lucie (Oldham) Mazzone** and her husband travel quite a bit in their RV. Their son and grandson are both in the U.S. Navy; their granddaughter is finishing up college on the East Coast.

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Helen (Brenn) House reports she remains in good health: she participates in the Dana Point Walking Club and went on a Columbian River cruise with California Retired Teachers Group. She also notes that her grandson is a magna cum laude graduate of USC. ♦ **Margaret (Cleland) Payne** and husband **David '39** moved to a retirement residence in Redding, where they enjoy catching up with Nelle Slater '50. ♦ **M.D. Herbert** lives in Leisure Village, CA; he has been retired for 26 years. ♦ **Nelle (Schuler) Fertig** is in "quiet retirement." She has four married sons, 13 grandchildren, and 13 great-grandchildren.

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Alice Atkins reads, knits, and gardens.

♦ **Betty (Brydon) Dunn** and her friends have kept the "Round Robin Letter" flying for 60 years. ♦ **Doris (Capps) Phillips** retired from teaching and travels "as much as she can" with husband Charles. They have two daughters—both teachers—and one grandson. ♦ **Bob Gaylord** moved to Bear Creek Country Club in Murrieta, to be close to his kids. It was hard for him to leave Newport after 30 years, but he has to agree that there is a great golf course now where he lives! ♦ **Marguerite (Grace) Taylor** published *Seasons*, her eighth poetry book, and is still enjoying the activities at the Huntington Beach Senior Center. ♦ **Alice (Lacy) Johnson** volunteers, swims, and travels; she recently went on a cruise to Tahiti. ♦ **Robert Jordan** is a retired professor of sociology. ♦ **Grace (Miks) Meierding** makes artwork for fundraising to help enrich the community; she also travels extensively overseas. ♦ **Barbara (Stambaugh) Callicott** has been helping her husband in his recovery from numerous heart and hip surgeries. She loves hosting family and friends for reunions throughout the year. ♦ **Bill Thompson** "feels privileged" to have his two daughters living nearby.

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Mary (Atkins) Padia moved to the Bay Area and attends Oakland Athletics baseball games with her son and two granddaughters. ♦ **Flo (Barmore) Schremp** and her husband traveled to Williamsburg, VA, with **Carol (Coiner) '45** and husband **Ed Saunders '45**. While there, they contacted Shirley (Roberts) Firestone '45 and took a historical cruise off the Chesapeake Bay. ♦ **Florence (Beaton) Folse** is

active in local and Louisiana State Retired Teachers organization and enjoys travel with husband Herman.

❖ **Eugene Clark** and wife **Marilyn (Burke)** '45 have been busy re-modeling their home. They now have three great-grandchildren, all from granddaughter Brenda. ❖ **Bob Cauffman** and wife **Janet** '45 winter in Arizona and summer in Colorado. Bob is an avid tennis player, and Jan loves to quilt. ❖ **Ted Chenney** retired after 35 years from Norwalk/La Mirada Unified School District, where he served as a teacher and a counselor. ❖ **Effie (Henley) Harlan** celebrated her 80th birthday at a family reunion in Mexico. ❖ **Laurel (Hobbs) Steffy** underwent knee surgery in January but was happily able to attend her granddaughter's wedding in Seattle. ❖ **Thomas Hudson** and wife **Lorna (Goodin)** '45 reside in Cambria, close to one of their daughters and her family. Lorna reports recent vacations to Copper Canyon and Sea of Cortez. ❖ **Dorothy (Murphy) Miller** shares that her eldest granddaughter, Capt. Christine Callahan, is an F-15E pilot and has been an instructor-pilot in North Carolina.

❖ **Dale Roberts** and wife **Shirley (Firestone)** '45 love life in Williamsburg, VA. Shirley is still involved with the National Guild of Piano Teachers and traveled to Anaheim, CA, to participate as a judge. ❖ **Ruth (Roberts) Larson** and husband Leland celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. ❖ **Helen (Trompas) Dickey** is thrilled to report that because of her father's efforts to found a local Greek Orthodox Church, her childhood home was named a San Diego historical landmark.

Ginny Valentine earned a California Teaching Credential at CSU Bakersfield. She is in her fourth year of teaching and loves it. ❖ **Janet (Whitemore) Wood** sold her ranches in Whittier hills and is adjusting to suburban life. She and her husband continue to volunteer for Meals on Wheels and enjoy playing croquet.

1946

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Violette (Bakuen) Bachtelle lunches with fellow alums on 5th Wednesdays in Whittier. Any interested Class of '46 ladies should contact her at 562.434.3985, or classmate **Barbara (Cook) Neighbours** at 714.996.2586.

❖ **Dorothy (Dolph) Zeyen** is retired and has been widowed for the past seven years. She is a volunteer with Dominican Hospital, in the surgery and ICU waiting rooms, the ER, and with junior volunteers, ages 14-18.

❖ **Dorothy (Gilbert) Walker** became a first-time great-grandparent; the new parents—Dorothy's grandchildren—reside in Indonesia where they serve as missionaries. ❖ **Frances (O'Connor) Webb** joined the Adult Group and traveled to Las Vegas, Solvang, The New Cathedral, a chocolate factory, and Palm Springs, among others. ❖ **Carol (Weber) Rhea** is delighted to report that, after all these years, Floyd "Scrappy" Rhea's NFL football career has certainly paid off—this time in a Bert Bell/Pete Rozelle NFL Player Retirement Plan that paid out retroactive to 1998.

1947

Class Agent: Mrs. Shirley P. (Plummer) White
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Fred Dukes and wife Beverly were awarded the 2004 California State University at Bakersfield Presidential Medal for nearly a quarter-century of dedicated service. A teacher-turned-principal in the Bakersfield City School District for more than 30 years, he eventually retired and became an adjunct professor for the CSUB School of Education, where he worked diligently to further the success of aspiring teachers.

1948

Class Agent: Mr. Buck C. Jarnagan
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Buck Jarnagan and his wife **Angela (Gorman)** '50 spent "the best vacation ever"—one week at an Idaho resort with family, where golf, relaxation, and fine dining were the only requirements. ❖ **Lorna (Appleby) Pfluke** has a part-time private practice as a marriage and family therapist and is active in the Jung Society of Claremont Board. She enjoys writing and selling stories of her adventures while traveling; she recently went sailing off the Maine coast on a classic Class B Tall Sailing Ship. ❖ **Ann (Bauman) Frank** is a volunteer for AARP and is the past president, Kona Chapter Board Member. She loves to play golf, swim, work out, and take cruises with her husband. ❖ **Marian**

(Gage) **Abrecht** is always "very busy and never bored!" She created, now maintains, the archives for Valle Verde Retirement Community. ❖ **Paul Smith '50** would be proud of my work! ❖



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Joy (Hull) Elkinton and her husband toured with family, exploring Denmark and the fjords of Norway. ❖ **Zilpha (Keatley) Snyder** and husband **Larry '50** are both keeping busy: Larry is president of the Mill Valley Chamber Music Society, and Zilpha's latest book, *The Ghosts of Rathburn Park*, published in August 2004. The Snyders also travel quite a bit, most recently to India, Cambodia, and Vietnam. ❖ **Ellen (Kendig) Lewis** loves the climate in Seal Beach, where she lives with family nearby. On a recent vacation, she investigated her roots in Chester County, PA, where she reconnected with relatives there, en route, and at a family reunion at Earlham College. ❖ **Arlene (Mitchell) Bird** is enjoying their home in Somona Valley, and their winters in sunny Arizona. Lots of activities for the snowbirds—so it's a long "vacation."

❖ **Dorothy (Newberry) Ford** and her husband visited an old friend's working ranch last summer, enjoying the wildlife and clean, crisp air. ❖ **Riley Shaffer** moved to North Carolina, close to his eldest son's family. ❖ **John Shultz** is "far from retired," living in La Habra Heights and working for his son's construction business. His eldest daughter passed away three years ago from diabetes, but his other three children, two granddaughters, seven grandsons, and two great-grandsons are all "doing great." ❖ **Marion (Woods) Silva** reports that she enjoys living in Vacaville. ❖ **Rhodes Young** exchanged his career in psychology for a return to the classroom; he's taking a few courses in literature and writing poetry. He tries to stay in shape by running two miles a day and gardening.

1949

Class Agent: Mrs. Vivian (Fallis) Woodward
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Elmer Koenig lives happily under the Yuma sun with wife Marlene. They enjoy their RV and travel, with winter in the south, and spring, summer and fall in Vancouver, WA. They have three grandsons and one granddaughter.

❖ **Archie Nogle** retired, handing over the reins of his moving and storage company to his two children, Wendy and Robert. (N.B.: *The Rock* was saddened to hear of the passing of Archie's wife, Barbara, in April of 2004. The Nogles had just celebrated 55 wonderful years of marriage.) ❖ **Fred Winnen** was honored by the City of Pico Rivera for 50 years dedicated service with the city's Lions Club.

1950

Class Agent: Mr. Elwyn "El" Dyer
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Bruce Anthony sends "kudos" to class agent **Elwyn Dyer '50** for all of his hard work and publicity. ❖ **Robert Beauchamp**, now retired 19 years, has been married to **Carolyn (Tournat) '51** for over 50 years. They have nine grandchildren, like to travel and play chess, and are very active in their church. ❖ **Peter DeVries** and **Joan (Hansen) '62** report a busy but peaceful life in the mountains of the Pacific Northwest. Peter, who took up a second career in architectural design, has designed 10 houses and a Bavarian style art gallery; he also serves on the city council and hospital foundation. An active member of the local garden club, Joan manages a church library. ❖ **Jim Ellis** published another devotional book, *An Old Dog Blessed With New Tricks*. ❖ **Barbara (Fauskin) Hill**,

president of the Julian Educational Foundation, successfully led a \$3.8 million dollar campaign to build a new public library for the Julian community.

❖ **Bob Gartin** moved to Washington and has since become a Mariners fan—"G-Ichiro!" He's looking for other Seattle-area Poets. ❖ **Gaylord Hasselblad** has retired as executive minister of the American Baptist Churches of the Northwest; he now spends his days volunteering, traveling, and visiting with family and friends. ❖ **Bob Hoffman**, new retiree, is happy to report he has more time now to spend with his wife **Ilene (Putman) '49** and their nine grandchildren. An avid traveler, Bob loves "all outdoor activities" including fishing, boating, and skiing. ❖ **Tom Johnston**, when not taking photographs in San Diego or San Francisco, still lives (and skis) in Mammoth, where he also works with Mammoth Gallery. In addition, he spends some of his time at Leisure World in Laguna Woods and rides his bike often. ❖ **Marie (Leyh) Evans** writes that before her husband **Glenn '50** passed away, he owned an antique shop and became quite an expert. Marie now lives with two of her sons and every year she manages to visit her daughter in Belgium. Marie also paints miniatures and restores old paintings. ❖ **Carolyn (Martins) Wood** earned the Laguna Beach Women's Club's highest honor: Woman of the Year. She is the president and founding member of the Laguna Canyon Conservancy, and founding member and secretary of the Laguna Canyon Foundation. ❖ **Loretta (Seay) Cady** is active in the art league at her Seal Beach retirement home and enjoys painting. ❖ **Genevieve (Terrell) Gumpertz** and husband Gordon moved to Palm Desert and "love it." They are both retired and hard at work writing short stories and novels. ❖ **Doris (Throckmorton) Lahr** and husband **Don '51**, former mayor of Santa Maria, remain actively involved in civic activities, but still manage time for travel, gardening, relaxing, and frequent visits with their four sons and fifteen grandchildren—all of whom live close by. ❖ **Jack Woodward** took a caribbean cruise with family.

1951

Class Agent: CLASS AGENT NEEDED

Richard Brandon invites fellow '51 alums to visit his place near the Lake Almanor Peninsula. "Give me a ring; I'd love your company!" ❖ **Gracia**

(Giddings) Wedel is building a house with her daughter in Bakersfield.

1952

Class Agent: Mrs. Mary E. (Crouch) Hawley

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1953

Class Agent: Mrs. Florence (Albarian) Morrison

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Florence (Albarian) Morrison thanks **Nadine (Hambarian) Emerizian '53** for all of the work she did as a class agent. Now it is Flo's turn, so write to her! ❖ **Georgiana (Bissell) McLeod** is a student teacher supervisor. She and husband Alexander vacationed last year at their homes in Cabo San Lucas and in Whistler. ❖ **Alton Boyles** and wife Doris recently moved to beautiful Napa Valley in Northern California. Alton reports that his son is a bio-medical engineer and his daughter is a nurse at a ski resort. ❖ **Bud Burchell** says that his wife **Marjorie "Marj" (Henderson) '53** continues to enjoy her activities with P.E.O. and volunteering in the elder health care facility in town. Bud is the Southwest regional director of U.S. Submarine Veterans of WWII and volunteers with Kaiser Permanente. ❖ **Marvin "Marv" Burdg** and wife **Roberta "Bobbie" (Nielsen) '53** are both retired, "enjoying San Diego and all the goodies it has to offer." When possible, they attend Elder Hostel programs, visit Hawaii with their 3 granddaughters, and travel in their motorhome. "Marv loves riding his quarter horse and little red mule." ❖ **Carol (Coughlin) Smith** moved to a Mission Viejo senior community; she remains an on-call substitute teacher and is a hospital volunteer. She particularly enjoys all the activities of her ten grandchildren, eight of whom are in high school or college. ❖ **Blaine Dewey** loves an adventure; recent trips include Mexico (to take Spanish classes), China, and several day-trips with the local Senior Center. He writes that his eldest grandchild is now 18. ❖ **Ray Dezember** earned the 2003 Poet Award for Alumni Service, an honor given by the Alumni Association Board of Directors for extensive meritorious service to the College since graduation. Though "retired," Ray is an active volunteer and served on the

Whittier College Board of Trustees, along with fellow '53 alums Al Gobar and Kenny Greenbaum. Ray and wife **Joannie (Erreca) '56** have four children and 10 grandchildren. ❖ **Nadine (Emerizian) Hambarian** notes that the years are "passing by too fast"—her first grandson is at USC. She is teaching piano, working at Stein Mart, and "trying to get computer literate." She spends her time gardening, making crafts, and she would love to hear from old friends via email. ❖ **Bruce England** is very active in church work and local choral music. ❖ **Jay Fair** writes that he has proudly acquired a purple pick-up with prominently displayed decals for Whittier College and Franklin Society. Otherwise, he notes: "Cocktails and expert witness activities continue." ❖ **Suzanne (Fistter) Elliott** and husband **Bob '50** enjoyed a recent trip down the Mississippi. ❖ **Dorothy Garrett** works with Rogue River Press: writing, serving as president for Rogue River Friends of the Library, and starting a program that delivered one new book to each newborn baby within the boundaries of the Rogue River School District. She serves as president or vice or on the board for several nonprofit cultural organizations including Friends of the Library, Oregon Symphony, the Smith Fine Arts Series, among others. She also teaches an exercise class at the assisted living residence in Monmouth and enjoys life along with eight grandchildren, who she says are the "delight of her life." ❖ **George Gaylord** has many responsibilities at his board-and-care home; he also records his own books on tape. ❖ **Al Gobar** turned his business over to some trusted long-term employees who are nice enough to give him an office and a secretary. He gives 60-80 speeches a year. He is a trustee of the College and a director of Quaker City Bank in Whittier. ❖ **D. Joan Hancock** is an artist of note in Palo Alto, CA, and reports she has two new grandchildren on the way. She visited Whittier this year with fellow '53 alums **Ardis Stewart Green**, **Ginny Severs**, and **Marge Harris Grey**. ❖ **Mary Jo (Hughes) Norman** lost her husband, Ralph, in October of 2000. She moved to Santa Rosa to be closer to her daughter and family, and she is involved in her son-in-law's winery in addition to volunteering, gardening, and landscaping. ❖ **A. Joy Huss** remarks that retirement is going wonderfully for her! She is busy with traveling, volunteering, books, and her cat. ❖ **Joanne (Ihrig)**

Reid notes that she is "feeling pretty good"; it has now been 10 years since she was diagnosed with breast cancer. She was saddened to report that her mother passed away last October.

❖ **Thomas James** still enjoys watching track meets, traveling, and keeping in touch with friends. ❖ **Don Jenkins** received the "Fellow of the College" Award from the Rio Hondo Board of Trustees. ❖ **Nancy (Akin) Johnson** teaches kindergarten in the same district she's been in for 30 years. She is a widow of 15 years and has three married daughters, six grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. She's living in the same family home she and her husband built in the 60's. ❖ **Harold F. Jones** is retired and living "on the golf course" in San Jose. He and wife Toni have three grandchildren. ❖ **Ralph Jones** is retired and stays busy playing cards, gardening, and assisting his wife, a long-time real estate broker. ❖ **Milton Kelly** is busy on the ranch caring for cattle, an orchard, and a large garden. Retirement notwithstanding, Milton and his wife report good health and still find time for travel throughout the country in their fifth-wheel. ❖ **Sunya (Lerner) Felburg** is now a great-grandparent. ❖ **Howard Lucy** and wife **Eleanor (Votaw) '53** write that after 14 years as residents of Friday Harbor, WA, they have returned to California to be near family. ❖ **Charles McLuen** retired from the marketing department of UNOCAL 76 in 1995; he is happy to note that he now has more time to spend with his wife Frances and family, as well as to golf and travel. ❖ **Ken Miller** is still in "God's Country" (Lake San Marcos), and enjoys good health, travel, and his five children and 18 grandchildren. ❖ **Walter Nelson**, retired junior high school science teacher, spends his time on "wine, women, and song." ❖ **Shirley (O'Connor) Byrne** is still a pianist, both teacher and avid performer. She and husband John downhill ski, take ballroom dance lessons, participate in a book group, and are active volunteers. They travel often, most recently to Kenya for a safari, and to visit family and grandchildren. ❖ **Walter Palmer** retired in 1991 after 36 years directing instrumental music groups in Garden Grove Unified School District. He volunteers at the Perkins School for the Blind, plays in community orchestras, and cares for his grandsons. ❖ **Ralph Pray** and wife Mabel are still in the process of liquidating their business and selling their Idaho property. They plan to live in Newbury

Spring, CA. **Marilyn (Smallwood) Qualls** and husband William returned to Fallbrook 15 years ago. She is busy with golf and volunteer activities, and recently enjoyed a vacation with family—four children, their spouses, and four grandchildren. ♦ **Bill Sandison** and wife **Valeri (Vogler) '56** have been married nearly 50 years; they have two children and six grandchildren. In winter and spring they travel to the Palm Springs area, stay in their motorhome at outdoor resorts and play golf and tennis. ♦ **Ann (Reese) Stecklein** reports that she became a great-grandparent only a few days after the reunion! ♦ **Sally (Stark) Hansen** enjoys her role as Co-Queen of their chapter of the Red Hot Society. They have a fun group—all retired from the same school district in Whittier. Last October, they attended the Tri-State Tea in Laughlin. She is very proud of her eldest granddaughter, who is in medical school. ♦ **David Stillier**, USDA research scientist, is affiliated with the vet school at Washington State University and the Animal Science Department at University of Idaho and specializes in tick-transmitted diseases of wild and domestic animals. He and wife Helen have been married for 40 years and are proud parents of a son and daughter plus one wonderful granddaughter—Aytanah. ♦ **Cherie (Willard) Love** mentions that her most memorable recent event has been the birth of two granddaughters—Kaia and Haleigh. Cherie is president of the Ventura County Retired Teachers Association Scholarship Foundation, which awarded twelve \$2000 grants to college juniors who plan careers in education. Cherie helps take care of her 97-year old mother, who lives alone at the ranch in Paso Robles. ♦ **Catherine (Wong) Chan** and her husband celebrated 51 years of marriage. They are proud parents of sons Derrick, a circuit court judge in Hawaii, and Jeff, a businessman; and daughters Shirley and Sue, who both teach in the Montebello School District.

1954

Class Agents: Mrs. Marjorie (Conley) Aikens
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Marjorie (Conley) Aikens still makes travel a high priority—last April it was off to China and Tibet. She also visited Churchill, Canada, and saw the magnifi-



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cent polar bears roaming freely.

♦ Mildred (Blankenship)

Scharpenberg loves her part time work for Décor Party Supplies and has had some fun adventures traveling.

♦ **Inez (Di Scala) Dahl** lives in Idaho and loves the area, climate, and people.

♦ **Cecile (Hankey) Weed** and husband

Bruce '55 celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 2003. They have four children and nine grandchildren, keep busy in church and volunteer work, and enjoy traveling the U.S.

in their RV. ♦ **John Hergesheimer** earned the Hilda Taba Award from the California Council for Social Studies.

Though retired from Norwalk/La Mirada Unified, he still teaches adult school. ♦ **Dollie (Hill) Thomas** has lived and worked in El Segundo since 1968. She raised two daughters and has six grandchildren; her husband is retired and passes many happy hours in his backyard workshop. ♦ **Tony**

Pierno and wife **Beverly (Kohn) '54** live in Palm Desert. ♦ **Phyllis (Lee)**

Swinnerton has served multiple terms with Morongo Unified School Board, as secretary for the California Retired Teachers Association and the Yucca Valley Youth Accountability Board, and as president of the Y.V. Republican Women Federated. This is also her 20th year playing Mrs. Claus, Santa's wife.

♦ **John Marshall** and wife Jo Ann recently visited family in Tampa.

"Cooking and walking" are John's hobbies. ♦ **Ray McMullen** and wife Nancy have been married over 50 years. Last summer, they visited San Diego with family, then went to Las Vegas and "had a grand time." In fall 2003, they traveled through Rome, Florence, and Venice, which they had not seen since 1956.

♦ **Boone Owens** has returned to "part-time" work in battery technology and is learning digital photography—lots of N.C. beach sunrises and sunsets. He is also a certified hypnotherapist. ♦ **Bruce**

Shepherd has had a wonderful life since retiring in 1988, including trips, grandkids, and great-grandkids! ♦ **Jack Spiri** catches lots of trout in the lakes and streams by his house in Colorado. He won first place in a car show with his 1957 550 Spyder. Last May, he visited the Holy Land with his church group. ♦ **Virginia Weaver** retired last October after 17 years in the home furnishing business. Both of her children and their families live nearby, affording many opportunities to do things together. ♦ **Neil Ziegler** teaches part-time in the dental hygiene program at Oxnard Community College. He is still an avid bird watcher and president of the Ventura Audubon Society. He jogs several "slow" miles every day.

1955

Class Agent: Mrs. Jane R. (Soderberg) Gothold
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Eugene Ballock is a part-time student teacher supervisor for Chapman University's Concord campus. Travel, family, church, and golfing activities make life both rewarding and interesting. Highlight of last year was celebrating his golden anniversary with wife Lois. ♦ **Marjorie (Chalupsky) Norman** moved to The Regent, a senior living complex. Widowed for 15 years, she volunteers at the Inter-Community Hospital in Covina, CA. ♦ **R.H.**

Chamberlain and wife Judy continue in the cattle business in the foothills of Tehama County. Dick is still writing articles about the history of American firearms. Of Cornish descent, he is involved in the preservation of the unique culture of this small part of Celtic Britain. ♦ **Pat Cheatley** moved from Austin, Texas, to the Bermuda Dunes Golf Course in June 2002. He has two children and four grandchildren,

and is in great health. Life is good!

♦ **Peggy (Cooley) Fretz** retired from a 45-year career with East Whittier School District. She still serves as a school volunteer, and enjoys more time with family and friends. ♦ **Orville**

Cope is enjoying retirement as a fly-fisherman, woodworker, astronomer, and bonsai teacher. He spends a good deal of time on Lake Pend d'Oreille in Idaho. ♦ **Janice (Copeland) Shank** enjoyed the East Coast's famous fall colors while in Historic Williamsburg and visiting with **Jerry Hartman '54** and wife **Judith (Krueger) '55** in Yorktown, VA. ♦ **Janet (Dunham)**

Turner is retired and, last year, traveled to Boston then Maine to see her daughter, also Italy and Spain, which she notes "are wonderful countries." She feels lucky to have so many friends from her college days. ♦ **Manuel Gallegos** and his wife Mary will always remember the summer of 2002—a cruise up the Hudson River across the Erie Canal; New York City in all of its grandeur; photos at the Statue of Liberty; a stop at the military academy, which inspired patriotic thoughts; and a fabulous voyage up the St. Lawrence and the Saguenay Rivers, where they were treated to a marine extravaganza of whales. On another note, the Gallegos have moved to Idaho, to live in the beautiful countryside away from noise and pollution. ♦ **Ann (Gourley)**

Caffrey tutors ESL students at Cuesta College and enjoys Central Coast art activities. ♦ **Marilyn (Griffin) Rasmussen** left the Alumni Board after serving three years; she remains a member of Chapman University's President's Council. For nearly 50 years she has held membership in Home Economics Group, Delta Kappa Gamma Tau, and Friendly Hills Women's Club. She has four grandchildren and continues to volunteer with the Whittier Inter-Community Blind Center. ♦ **Norman Haack** and wife **Marjorie "Margie" (Wilkin) '55** enjoy the sights and culture in the nation's capital. Margie is involved with Women of Washington International Group, National Symphony Orchestra Associates, and PEO. She also provides backup transport and care for grandchildren. Norm is assistant director of the International Test and Evaluation Association. ♦ **Ann (Howard) Cowan** and husband **Jim '53** attended a mini-reunion at the Carlsbad home of fellow '55 alums **Marvin and Lucia (Kelly) Sippel**. Classmates **Margie (Wilkin)** and husband **Norm Haack**,

Gloria (Evans) and husband **Nick Konovoff**, also came, and **Jim Penfield** and his wife Evelyn joined us for dinner, lots of laughs, and old stories. The weekend was a great reunion, especially for the four ladies who had lived and taught together in the Ravenswood School District after graduation and before marriage. ♦ **Donna (Johnson) Page** is coping with the loss of a great husband and human being. Her grandchildren and children live in Stockton. She is active in church and is the past president of the San Joaquin Division of California Retired Teachers.

♦ **Sally (Latson) Jones** moved to a "nice little house" in Bellaire, TX, near to her daughter's family; she notes: "Houston's an exciting and hard-working city."

♦ **Carol (Lombard) Frantz** remarks "it seems like a long time since I was at Whittier, and life has been a long series of up and downs for me." Her husband of 40 years passed away a few years ago, and she lives now in Oakland with family—and 15 cats! ♦ **Dorothy (Markham) Allin** says: "Retirement? HA HA!" She and husband Gerald serve on the National Board of Presbyterian Marriage Encounters and the Board for New Hope Farms in Galdendale, WA; sing in the WSU Choir and local church choir; and play in their church bell choir. ♦ **Virginia "Gin" (Miller) Bell** and husband Richard, both retired, travel, volunteer, ski, square-dance, and garden, among other activities. Their four kids, all scientists, are married and have produced seven grandkids, including one set of twins. Virginia taught school locally for 22 years—science, of course!

♦ **Lynn (Mills) Smith** volunteers with the San Diego Police Department; patrolling three times a month, she visits the elderly and checks vacation homes, among other duties. Not long ago, Lynn visited Cuba and was fascinated by the culture—particularly the art and music. ♦ **Karin (Nordstrom) Stanton** and her husband live in Carlsbad, by the sea, and recently vacationed in Maui and Ireland. She admits she is a "genealogy junkie" after printing several copies of her father's Swedish heritage for family members.

♦ **Ivan Reece** and wife **Annette (Duemler) '55** spend their time between Scottsdale, AZ, and Edmonds, WA, with a few places in between to sell their egg carton sculptures at craft shows. ♦ **C. Thomas Reeder** and his wife Lorna had a whirlwind 2002; Tom's work with the International Division of Walk Thru the Bible took

him to Singapore, Manila, four cities in Australia, four in Indonesia, Bangkok and Chang Mai, Thailand, and more cities in Europe than they can count. Lorna traveled with him some of the time, but spent time in London as well (Harrod's loved her visit!). ♦ **Myrna (Weick) Creed** is happily married, lives in Arcadia, and teaches kindergarten at Canyon Early Learning Center in Monrovia. She has two grandsons, and her daughter is working on a second degree in elementary school teaching. She still meets with her Whittier College roommates!

1956

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Sue (Scruton) Blevins is publishing two books on education. ♦ **Shirley (Smallwood) Arms** recently became a first-time grandparent! Her parents Mary and Harold Smallwood both died last year, after living 45 years in Whittier. ♦ **Dr. Ann Y. Bamberger** is president of the nonprofit American Overseas Schools Historical Society. With existing good archives, and excellent coverage in the WSJ and a segment on 60 Minutes, the organization plans to build a museum complex to tell the story of American education abroad. In other news, Ann is still "hitting the tennis courts" when she can.

♦ **Valerie S. (Steve) Bates** wonders: "Whatever happened to retirement?" She reports she's working harder than ever on estate sales, but still makes time for travel and her nine grandkids!

♦ **John W. Brink** is a docent at two Prescott area museums and Highland Center for Natural History. ♦ **Dr. Edward G. Brown** took a Spanish language course for medical personnel in order to be a volunteer interpreter/ translator at a Tucson hospital. He and wife Carolyn are also building a cabin near the Chiricahua Mountains in SE Arizona. ♦ **Martha Fahsoltz Dean** retired from Oregon's Clackamas Education Services District in 2000; since then, she's traveled to Spain, France, Tahiti, New Zealand, Australia and Cook Islands, Maui, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Finland, St. Petersburg, and Tallium, Estonia. When home, she spends time with her son and four grandsons. ♦ **Ann (Dahlstrom) Farmer** is enjoying retirement (it came with a fancy title—"Emerita Associate Professor of English, Whittier College"), serving on the Whittier Historical

Society Board, the Hillcrest Senior Day Care Center Board, and — her favorite — the Friends of the Shannon Center Board. Securing the authors for their yearly Bookfair fundraiser and taking tickets for many of the performances is great fun. Other delights are family, cats, books, friends, miniatures, and rubber stamps. ♦ **Dr. Ron E. Franklin** and wife **Donna (Johnson) '56** report a return to normalcy, following Donna's colon cancer scare. She remains dedicated to golf and bridge; he golfs when not teaching (or preparing to teach) at Chapman University and University of California, Riverside. "Our four grandchildren—including the first girl in 97 years born with the Franklin name!—are the true joy of our lives! Son Paul is still at 20th Century Television and son Doug remains with Fireman's Insurance Company." ♦ **Jane (Breslin) Gharibian** is still dedicated to non-violent action groups, working to oppose the expansion of a small airport located near a national park and adjacent to a wildlife sanctuary; she also tutors foreign visitors in English language skills. Peter retired from Dana Hall after 35 years but continues with Regis College. 2 of their children remain in MA, but Andrew is now in AZ. ♦ **Dr. Stuart E. Gothold** still teaches at USC and has "recovered nicely" from a 2001 hip replacement. He and wife **Jane (Soderberg) '55** traveled to Germany, Sweden, Norway (researching family history), China (educator trips), and Hawaii (teaching for USC). They have four kids, four grandchildren, and three great grandchildren. "Can't wait for our 50th wedding anniversary in 2005, and 50th class reunion in 2006!" ♦ **Ronald E. Hoar** and wife Lynn and celebrated their 50th anniversary in 2002. ♦ **William B. Kountz**, though retired, keeps busy gardening, participating in a local theater group, and working with local organizations.

♦ **Barbara J. (Conway) Lappin** is the proud grandparent of Zoe, a vivacious, inquisitive, active little girl, whose enthusiasm and perseverance in learning to crawl and walk has been an inspiration in meeting the challenges of aging. Getting through three surgical procedures, 25 days of radiation treatments, a diagnosis of hip and leg arthritis and Stage 2 diabetes, she has become a strong advocate for regular mammograms. In other news, she cruised through Puerto Vallarta, Mazatlan, and Cabo San Lucas, and sailed to Alaska. "Onward and Upward!" ♦ **Elaine (Smith) Lawson** and hus-

band **Bill '54** live at Sea Ranch on the Sonoma Coast. They spend as much time possible with the grandchildren, summer at their Colorado cabin, and are involved in several recreational and volunteer activities. ♦ **Dr. John F. Mitchell** "retired to tennis and golf." He has three grandchildren. ♦ **Ray Mooshagian** retired, and now spends time with five grandchildren and in his condo in Pismo Beach. Son Gary has a sport photography business; son Steve is head football coach at Sacramento State. ♦ **Geraldine (Palmer) Wolfe** retired in recent years and has not regretted it for one minute. She is having fun with grandchildren and friends. ♦ **Lucinda (Powell) Morgan** is happily ensconced in Gate 'N Green, a gated, over-55 complex in Broomfield. Contributing to her community, she is co-editor of their newsletter, manages their clubhouse library, and serves on the security com-mittee. ♦ **Hildred "Hildy" C. Pehrson** reports: "Not only did I return to my family name, I got married!" Her husband, John Stroud, is retired from LLNL; between them, they have eight children and two step-children. Their New York/London honeymoon was her first trip to both places. Now living in the mild climate of the East Bay, she claims, "Life is good!" ♦ **Wayne W. Reinecke** and **Susanne (Rayburn) '56** retired after 39 years in the California public school system. Wayne is conductor of the Rio Hondo Symphony and the Pasadena Community Orchestra. Susanne plays viola in both orchestras and is a member of the Santiago String Quartet. They have five grandchildren. ♦ **Boyard Rowe** and wife Anne live in Berkeley; since retiring, he has become a volunteer with the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art Library and Berkeley's Aurora Theatre Company, and has traveled to Tuscany, Rome and London. He is also one of the organizers of Whittier alumni reunions in the San Francisco Bay Area. ♦ **Marjorie (Smith) Wuopio** retired from the Public Health Department in Marin County; she now spends time with her five grandchildren, traveling, and building a Victorian Dollhouse. From their home, she and husband Dick run Solid Brass, a music publishing business; they also both sing in the Dominican College Choir and the Winifred Baker Chamber Choir. ♦ **Dixie (Stallings) Swift** has a small cultural center in Long Beach and will soon build a small theatre and gallery for the community. A planned retirement will allow her time with her 15

grandchildren. ♦ **Nicholas Street** plays tennis and skis with **Jim Carlisle '56**. Retired and living in Kauai, he plays golf, swims, and paddles his outrigger canoe when he is not scuba diving, leading hikes, or volunteering. Favorite recent vacations span 5 continents, including Nepal, India, Mallorca, China, Australia/NZ, Peru, Brazil, Italy, Bali, Tahiti, Russia, Singapore, Alaska, Cancun, Japan, Morocco, Galapagos, Egypt, Israel, Kenya, Tanzania, Botswana, and, of course, skiing in Austria—"Ho Hum...!" ♦ **Frank Thompson**, retired, is living in Ruidoso, NM, where everything is "seasoned" just right. He skis in winter, hikes in summer, and occasionally visits friends on the West Coast. ♦ **Nancy (Wedberg) Zittrain** lives in Kitty Hawk, NC, where she and her family enjoy boating, kayaking, bird watching, and bicycling. Still an avid painter, Nancy exhibits her works in galleries and art shows. ♦ **Walter Womack** has 10 grandchildren—living in Kansas, South Carolina, and four nearby—and recently became a great-grandfather.

1957

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F. Lynn Blystone explores for oil and gas in California and Nevada, for gold in Alaska, and was invited to visit two Canadian Diamond Mines about 200 miles northeast of Yellowknife. He and wife Patti love taking their grandsons on trips. ♦ **Warren Bisbee** is semi-retired and living in an active adult community; he frequently plays host to his 11 grandkids at his Maui vacation home. ♦ **Geraldine (Cannon) Keys** owns a craft shop and makes quilts, "quillows," and crochet or knit items. She has three great-grandchildren. ♦ **Julianne (Collins) Causey** lives in Whittier, enjoying retirement, traveling, and spending time with family. ♦ **Carol (Draper) Bell** moved to Santa Maria, CA. ♦ **John Duncan** was awarded the 2002 Alumni Lifetime Achievement Award by the Class of 1957. ♦ **Sydney (Foster) Nichols** visited Washington, D.C., and the Hilton Head area, and cruised to Mexico. Two grandchildren are in college and one has graduated. ♦ **Dr. Frances (Kovacs) Heussenstamm** is painting murals, writing, and is very healthy and happy. ♦ **Virginia (Jacobson) Herd** retired from teaching, and traveled to Australia, New Zealand, and France. ♦ **Mary**

(Johnston) Shackford is retired; she now substitutes, square dances, and stays involved in church and family activities. ♦ **Barbara (Jones) Peck** took a sailing trip to Tahiti and the Marquesas. ♦ **Eugene La Blond** lives in Palm Desert, and enjoys golfing at a local, private country club. ♦ **Jo (Larkey) Lindhorst** and husband Jack worked for Habitat for Humanity in the Oregon area and like to travel in their TREK motorhome. They have been adopted as grandparents for twin boys. ♦ **Nancy Lurvey** lives in Florida. Her 70th birthday was celebrated with friends at a Tuscan villa. ♦ **Carole (Martin) Pickup** enjoys golf, grandchildren, leisure time, travel, and entertaining. Her son works in money management. ♦ **William Marumoto** was general chairman of the Lancer Society 70th Anniversary Power Weekend, where 10 members were honored for their professional achievements and services to Whittier College. He and wife Jean have seven grandchildren. ♦ **Meta (Mitchell) Michaelson** cruised through the Panama Canal earlier this year with fellow Whittier graduates-turned- retired teachers.

♦ **J. Richard Morton** and wife **Doris (Fitzgerald) '58** share a wonderful life; their grandson recently won a four-year scholarship to Kentucky University.

♦ **Nancy (Perrine) Hart** retired from teaching; she now helps out at the family-owned winery in Temecula. She was an organizer for her 50th high school reunion, and was thrilled to see old friends. Nancy gardens and reads, and loves West Coast travel with husband Joe. ♦ **Ted Phegley** retired from 42 years of teaching in 1999. ♦ **Anne (Rames) Nolan** traded elementary school teaching for adult ESL teaching. She is still married and has three children and four grandchildren. ♦ **Jane (Reichenbach) Christiansen** and husband Oliver took a cruise to Austria, Germany, and Holland. ♦ **John Renley** is officially retired after 43 years in education, the last 15 years spent as vice chancellor of human resources for Coast Community College District. He is currently consulting, traveling, and relaxing with wife-of-48 years, Carole. He has one grandson. ♦ **Bob Rivers** is having fun with new grandson, Logan. He substitute teaches, enjoys traveling in his 5th wheel trailer, and is very active in church and the Sierra Club.

♦ **Rev. Ron Roberts**, retired and traveled to the northwest via the Lewis and Clark trail. His son is an architect in Portland, and his daughter, now a superintendent, lives in Bishop with

husband **Barry Simpson '91**. ♦ **Betty Shakeley** took early retirement in 1991 after 32 years with L.A. County Social Services. She has one daughter, a son-in-law, and two grandchildren. ♦ **Earl Skinner** keeps busy as an operations officer; his wife of 65 years passed away, and he continues to miss her every day. ♦ **Douglas Smith** was honored in May 2003 with the Sharp Grossmont Hospital Lifetime Achievement Award for over two decades of dedicated service. ♦ **Jon Scharer** and **Juley (Smoyer) '57** use their retirement time in volunteer work and travel, most recently to Australia and New Zealand. In August 2005, they will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. ♦ **Carol (Moreau) Reinbolt** lives in Napa, close to her son's family. She plays bridge, and volunteers at the Humane Society and her woman's club. ♦ **Gilbert Tucker** is happy to be a volunteer in any capacity. ♦ **Arlene (Votaw) Davis** and husband **Marlin '56** are both retired, active volunteers, and live in a home they built 14 years ago in Yorba Linda, with their children's families nearby.

♦ **Rosanelle (Walker) Cosner** has nine grandchildren—one of whom played in a waterpolo tournament at Whittier College. ♦ **Marjorie (Williams) Swanson** now has five grandchildren: four boys and one girl. She and her husband enjoy a leisurely life—garden- ing, aerobics, and volunteering at Whittier Presbyterian Hospital.

1958

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♦ **Harvey Charnofsky** and wife Janet are in the process of moving. They are literally camping until their new floor is finished, but they stay positive. ♦ **Lorna (Curtiss) Reeder** writes that she and husband **Thomas '55** have had a busy year with travel and caring for their four grandchildren. ♦ **Marlene (Dreher) Marsters** writes that she is finally a grandmother! Daphne Rose was born to Marlene's youngest son, Greg, and his wife Patty. Marlene's mother, who lives with her, is 98 but is not doing well. Marlene also reports that **Gussie (Andreatta) Scionti's '58** mother passed away at the age of 95. ♦ **Max Fields** can't believe it is 45 years since living Whittier. This year, he made a visit to New England to see the fall colors. ♦ **Carleen (Finney) Bedwell** owns Applied Development Economics, an

economic development consulting firm, serving the Western U.S.; husband Mike manages the family ranch in Escondido. She also reports one new granddaughter. ♦ **Doris (Fitzgerald) Morton** states that she is enjoying the good life married to **Dick '57** for 45 years; both have part-time jobs, travel to exciting places, have good health, and are grandparents of three. ♦ **Joan (Folland) Perkins** and "hubby" Jerald live within walking distance of Whittier College. Joan still works as a part-time consultant for Montebello Unified Schools and enjoys days on the Whittier campus. ♦ **Elizabeth "Betty" (Gosse) Harte** and husband Edwin returned to San Diego three years ago and are happily re-establishing friendships. Betty, recuperating from knee replacement surgery, is finding the time off quite enjoyable, and she has not yet decided whether or not to go back to work. ♦ **Patricia (Hare) Streeter** is grandmother of twins. Her daughter Michelle, and the rest of the family are very excited about the new arrivals. ♦ **Luene (Holmes) Corwin** had recent occasion to visit Australia with husband Norman; as president of San Marcos Rotary Club, she was invited to attend the Rotary International Convention in Brisbane. Luene continues to provide leadership for her church and to support Palomar College Foundation. In her spare time, she is preserving a cabin built by her grandfather in 1929. ♦ **Norris Hundley** married his high school prom date after his junior year at Whittier. Since graduation, he earned a Ph.D. in history from UCLA, and taught at University of Houston then UCLA, where he remained on faculty until gaining emeritus status in 1994. During his tenure he became a recognized authority on California's water rights and the history of cultures in California. Now retired in Santa Barbara, Norris continues his research, but he also has fun with wife Carol, their children, and grandchildren—whether hiking, traveling, or going to the symphony. ♦ **John Kramar** and wife Eva just completed 14 months of service as missionaries at the Asia Pacific Theological Seminary in the Philippines. ♦ **Lyn Matthew** spends much time in Flagstaff, the Phoenix area, and Lake Tahoe; as a result, she has been busy "trying to figure out just where she lives." She teaches community college-level courses and exhibits her paintings, most recently at the Coconino Art Center in Flagstaff. ♦ **Shannon (Mihld) Belles** recently

retired and looks forward to new adventures. ♦ **Jim Peter** married **Ann Larson '59** the year after graduation, received a master's degree in chemistry, and started teaching at Cerritos College. He remained there for 36 years—25 of those years as department chair. In addition, he spent one sabbatical year studying nuclear and radiation science at Oregon State University and 15 months in London on a Fulbright Teaching Exchange. Ann and Jim have two Poet progeny: **Mark '84** and **Laurie '85**. Their youngest daughter, Janine, broke tradition and graduated from Redlands in 1988. They have four grandchildren. After 40 years of living in Whittier, they moved south to Solana Beach. ♦ **Mary Ann (Piscevic) Samarin** and her husband moved to Iowa and have started a new business. ♦ **Pat Putnam** spent three wonderful weeks in Hawaii this past June with **Carolyn** and **Bob Laskey '59** and fellow '58 alums **Jim** and **Marilyn (Mark) Daugherty**. Pat's mid-September knee replacement surgery will prevent him from attending the reunion. ♦ **Robert Roemmele** and wife **Katherine "Kit" (Reedall) '58** are semi-retired, though Bob continues to teach chemistry two days a week at Mt. San Antonio College—a total of 44 years of teaching! Kit quilts and makes teddy bears. The two note that they feel "truly blessed" as they both enjoy good health and do a lot of traveling. Their daughter teaches for Sacramento's Elk Grove School District. ♦ **Joyce (Robare) Dannenfeldt** reports that with grandchildren nearby, he has settled into a comfortable life at Lake San Marcos, and each day is much the same—"tennis, bridge, and reading top the list." ♦ **Marion (Scwander) Harlan** lives in Bakersfield with husband **Doug '64**. Retired now, she taught kindergarten and elementary school in Orange, L.A. and Kern counties. They have two children, **Cheryl '90** and **Kurt**, and three grandchildren. She is grateful for her Whittier experience and friendships that have lasted 45 years. ♦ **Carol Ann (Stewart) Cann** and husband **Lawrence**, both retired, now enjoy traveling, skiing, and visiting family in Hawaii and California. Their three sons are all married and have (so far) produced three grandchildren. ♦ **Sally (Sprout) Mallard** and husband **Clay** finally moved into their new home in Fallbrook—"a year late but we love it!" The couple also celebrated their 47th anniversary in August 2004. ♦ **Clark (Ted) Staples** cruised the

Panama Canal and Alaska and had a "sanity" week on Cape Cod. While officially retired, Ted continues to substitute teach at Santa Ana High School and is still part owner of a restaurant in east San Diego County. ♦ **Jeannette (Weir) Blue** is excited about her son's wedding. ♦ **Jacquelynne "Jaquie" (Wilson) Moffett** and husband **Robert** spend a lot of time at their residence in Brian Head, Utah, but also enjoy traveling. This year, she participated in her 36th summer exhibit at the Festival of Arts Pageant of the Masters. Though retired from the Festival's board, she continues to work with their scholarship program for young artists. ♦ **Sharon "Chris" (Youngquist) Zimmerman** and husband **Ron '58** took their granddaughters on a western Caribbean cruise, which included snorkeling, swimming, and tubing down the Ocho Rios in Jamaica. Chris reports that their health is well and they are still traveling the globe.

1959

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The Class of 1959

1960

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Don Barr retired from the faculty at the US Military Academy; he's enjoying traveling with his wife. ♦ **Marilyn Boccuzzi** took a cruise through the Panama Canal with family and old friends. ♦ **David Bolick** retired to Newport, OR, after 30 years as a Chamber of Commerce Executive. ♦ **Marilyn (Bonham) Campbell** reports that after 22 years living on an island in northwest Washington, she has made the move to warmer Arizona climes. ♦ **Geraldine Carleton** joined

the Peace Corps; her two-year assignment will be in South Africa. ♦ **Robert David** celebrated his 40th wedding anniversary. He has retired after 41 years teaching, and 25 years coaching. He has three children and four grandchildren. Robert also substitute teaches, plays golf, and does early retirement consultancy. ♦ **Jerry Davis** retired after 39 years of high school teaching and coaching. The last 16 years he coached his team to league victory every year, and consistently won the CIF between 1984-88. He has nine grandchildren who visit on a regular basis. ♦ **Janice (Jordan) Pizarro** and her husband gave up the ranch life and built a new home on Sandpines Golf Course in Florence, OR. ♦ **Marty Klure** writes that wife **Vera (Peterson) '59** is slowly recovering and is walking again. Their grandkids visit often, and everyone supports them with love and care throughout the days. ♦ **Lynn (Marsters) Herman** writes that significant health problems prompted her to move. "Nothing like a serious diagnosis to help you know that time to do what you want is limited. So, my housemate Lydia and I are happily living in the mountains where I lived 40 years ago

and where my two sons were born. Life is good, and the view is wonderful." ♦ **Patricia (Odell) Calkins** moved to Grass Valley, where she is very active in the community. ♦ **Lloyd Schneider** still lives on the edge of Yosemite, and continues as chaplain at Hospice of the Sierra. He is also an educational therapist, mostly making learning disability assessments of persons in the Welfare-to-Work Program. ♦ **Wendy (Scott) Williams** is a full-time adoption coordinator/house manager at City of Orange's Hannah's House, a maternity home for women 18 years and older who plan to put their babies up for adoption. ♦ **Richard Wunder**, after 35 years as Westminster College's librarian,

retired. He is currently doing field work for a highway guide to state roads in Utah, and recently played the part of "Pooh-Bah" in a local production of Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado."

1961

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David Heil is enjoying retirement in the mountains; he is presently working for the Department of Agriculture/San Bernardino National Forest Assoc. and Children's Forest in Running Springs, CA. He is a naturalist and leads hiking and snow shoe tours up to 8000 ft. levels. ♦ **Carolyn (Shigetomi) Uyeda** is excited that both her kids are getting married. This is her third year of retirement but she is as busy as ever: "traveling, planning weddings, and having fun is a lot of work!" ♦ **Robert Starkey** retired from the University of California, San Diego, after 34 years as an administrator. He continues to work at UCSD part time; he and wife Barbara have traveled to Peru and Ecuador, Eastern Europe, China, Tibet, Bali, England, and France.

1962

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Nick Peoples and his wife **Karen Halvorsorn '63** have lived in Huntington Harbor for over 30 years; they look forward to spending their retirement traveling.

1963

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Becky Baker left a 36-year career teaching 3rd and 4th graders. Her sister recently retired as well, and they are having fun traveling the U.S. together. "I'm still into gardening, cats, collecting linen postcards, and a million other things." ♦ **Virginia Cerello**, though retired, spends a portion of her time doing some pro-bono legal work. She also sings in a chorus and a quartet. ♦ **Judith (Crumly) Ferreira** is now spending winters in Yuma, AZ, to get out of the rain and fog in the valley. She enjoys off-roading in her Jeep Wrangler. ♦ **David Culp** is retired, now

able to focus more time and energy into his artwork. David's work exhibited (and sold) in the Beverly Hills "Affaire in the Gardens" Show and has been published in several art encyclopedias and art books. ♦ **Pamela (Davis) Elliott** works for Utah's Department of Corrections in administration and publishing policies and rules. She looks forward to retirement so she can "have more time to relax and enjoy the finer things in life such as camping, golfing, and tennis." She was recently inducted into the Utah Tennis Hall of Fame.

♦ **Tom Dickson** and wife **Phyllis (Driskill) '63** retired from teaching in East Whittier City School District, and moved to Florence, OR. They are enjoying fishing, kayaking, and having their family and friends visit. ♦ **Alexander Gasporra** retired from his 25-year position as principal for the Whittier City School District. ♦ **Ronald Haxton** is now semi-retired as Mission Viejo's first pediatrician. He also serves on the Board of Directors of CHOC Health Alliance. He enjoys traveling with his wife. ♦ **Carol (Heinz) Shupek** retired from counseling at Paramount High School; works part time at Baldwin Academy in La Puente. She reports wonderful trips to France, Spain, and Portugal. She is getting re-acquainted with Whittier through volunteer activities. Daughter **Anna '88** is engaged.

♦ **Rod Holtan** retired from a 37-year career teaching in the Ontario/Montclair School District. ♦ **Takayasu Inakagi** is still in the oil business; he also serves as vice-chairman of the Chamber of Commerce for the City of Nishinomiya. ♦ **Charlene Martensen** taught school for 26 years and has been retired for 14 years. She enjoys visiting family and traveling around the country with her husband. ♦ **Jack Nahmias** and wife Joanne left careers in educational administration and live now in Columbia, CA. They hike, snowshoe, and volunteer as costumed docents at Columbia State Historic Park. They are also busy with church and Lions Club activities. They have six children and nine grandchildren. ♦ **Pam (Otto) Vierling** lives in Suisun Valley. She retired from Hillcrest School in La Habra Heights, where, for 24 years, she served as director.

♦ **Karen (Warren) Long** and husband **Ken '64** celebrated their 40th anniversary and have one grandchild. They enjoy summers on an island in Ontario, Canada. ♦ **Susan (Wevick) McGill** retired from teaching science and has been an advanced master gardener for the past 24 years. She still does

community theater and has two sons.

♦ **Carol (Williams) Tebbs**, after 38 years, traded straight classroom teaching for a position as advanced placement language and composition reader and teacher-trainer. In addition to serving on the Kepler College Board, she teaches for Online College of Astrology and published two e-books. Golf and reading fill in the blanks between working and grandchildren.

♦ **Heatherly (Woods) Conway** is an educational counselor for high risk children and their families; she is also an adjunct professor at Eastern Mennonite University and was recently nominated for "Excellence in Education" award.

1964

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The Class of 1964

Joe Magruder retired from his job as a social worker, a position he held for more than 35 years. He is now a full-time student in UC Berkeley's social welfare Ph.D. program. ♦ **Sandra Morrey** reports she "was honored to be appointed Deputy Grand Matron for the Orange County Order of the Eastern Star."

1965

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Ronna (Ellingson) Clymens returned to California. She has six grandchildren and is engaged to man whom she has known for 40 years. ♦ **Lois (Anderson) Barker** retired from her position as deputy executive officer for the American Red Cross. She remained with the organization for 33 years, primarily in Utah as CEO of the Ogden and Salt Lake Area chapters. She plays tennis and likes fly fishing, walks her Labrador,

and enjoys needlework, gardening, and reading. She divorced eight years ago after a 28-year marriage. No children, but aunt to 15 nieces and nephews.

♦ **Joseph Barnes** is teaching after 37 years, considering retiring, but has not yet made a final decision. ♦ **Nancy (Batterson) Carney** lives in Sonoma County and is grandparent of five boys. Her youngest daughter graduated from Emory University. Nancy writes: "Teaching kindergarten is keeping me busy!" ♦ **Doug Bennett** serves on the Whittier Alumni Board. He attended a great 60's Lancer reunion in San Diego and notes that "a strong group of about 30 and generally gathers every five years." ♦ **Bob Bruesch** retired from a 36-year teaching career and a 19-year career on the Rosemead City Council, where he served as both councilman and mayor. He now works as an educa-

tional consultant for local school districts and as vice president of Garvey School District Board of Education.

♦ **Susan (Clough) Wyatt** wrote the recently published *Thirty Acres More or Less: Restoring a Farm in Virginia*; the book-signing tour took her around Virginia and Washington, D.C. She and her husband recently purchased an Oregon condo for visiting West Coast family. Susan still works part-time as a career counselor and looks forward to grandchildren one day. ♦ **Patricia (Conner) Lopez** teaches Spanish at a local middle school. She just became a proud grandma of the "world's cutest girl." ♦ **Willie Crittendom** retired from 37 years with the Los Angeles School District. He was elected to the Inglewood School District's Board of Education, and served as its 2003-2004 president. ♦ **Mike Findley** is retired, but still takes contractual programming jobs. He moved to San Clemente shortly after his wife died. He spends his time building high-end models (ships mostly) for wealthy people.

♦ **Lynn (Gatsnby) Whitten** moved into a new house and retired from the travel business. ♦ **Carolyn (Gillingham)**

Wiley lives on Orcas Island off the coast of WA, and loves the small community life amidst the beauty of the Upper Puget Sound. She sells her gourd art at the local co-op. ♦ **Britta (Golding) Josten** retired from Placentia-Yorba Linda USD; she now has two grandchildren. ♦ **John Guidas** "gardens and reads" now that he's retired from the Library of Congress. He divides his time between D.C. and Delaware. ♦ **Sandra (Hambarian)**

Sinanian has retired after 36 years in the travel industry and 24 years as owner of her own agency. She is working in retail and volunteering for the American Cancer Society. ♦ **George Hinn** has made the move from full-time to part-time teaching at a local college. ♦ **Barbara Lyon** is enjoying retirement and living in Northern California again. ♦ **Ann Martin** is a public school counselor for a middle and elementary school. She takes an annual trip to developing countries such as Albania, Kosovo, and Ukraine. She works with trauma and other mental issues in counseling. ♦ **Sara (McCown) Dogbe** retired from 32 years as a social worker, 26 of which were in public mental health centers. She plans to have a small, private practice. Her son has a master's in occupational therapy and works in New Jersey.

♦ **Brenda (Mosteller) Marjanemi** is a claims educator for S.S.I. Disability. She has two wonderful grown sons and her parents still live in the same house she grew up in. ♦ **Kathryn Neumarkel** remarried in 2001 to Robert Addleman. She has three children and is a retired teacher. ♦ **Erik Popp** has been married over 30 years and is thoroughly enjoying retirement. He subs as a school crossing guard and does part-time work at polling places on Election Day. He is on the board of VBTI (Volunteer Braillists and Tapists), and he records books-on-tape for the blind. ♦ **Amy (Roberts) Quinney** is teaching a pilot class for highly gifted 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders who have learning disabilities. ♦ **Helen (Rosenfeld) Sura** and her husband travel in their motorhome, enjoying their retirement. As often as possible, they visit their daughter, son-in-law, and grandson near Boston. Their grandson is an accomplished pianist and their son-in-law teaches music. ♦ **Frank Schaefer** is retired and driving a school bus, just like he did in college to earn extra money.

❖ **Barbara Spencer** is an attorney for the California Court of Appeals in San Francisco. Her older son graduated college while the younger just started. She is single and enjoying life. ❖ **Annie (Stuart) Babson** retired and bought homes in Maine and Southern California. ❖ **John Vermeer** is living in Northern California. He is no longer working due to heart problems.

1966

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Fred Anderson is now a member of eBay's Board of Directors. He serves as executive vice president and chief financial officer for Apple Computers, a position he has held since 1996. ❖ **Diana (Arcadi) Cooper** retired and is substitute teaching in local schools. She quilts and plays with her 10 grandchildren. She and husband Wayne go traveling in their RV a lot. ❖ **Joan (Arlen) Merrill**, along with four other professionals, is a geriatric care manager, coordinating all care and assistance for seniors who wish to remain at home for as long as possible. ❖ **Thomas Bateman** retired from Defense Security Service. He and wife **Ann (Creighton) '64** became grandparents last fall. ❖ **Charlie Bell** retired from educational administration to live in the Pacific Northwest. He spends lots of time landscaping his 2.5 acres and feeding the ducks on his pond. He and wife Patty enjoy frequent trips to California to visit their granddaughters. ❖ **Vern Brock** retired from coaching baseball at La Serna High School. ❖ **Paul Brunner** retired from 37 years with Veteran Affairs, and is contemplating a move to Atlanta to pursue a second career. He has six grandkids. ❖ **Diana (Buskirk) Jacobs** joined Schurman Fine Papers Papyrus, a specialty retailer, as vice president of human resources. She and husband Jack are parents of four and grandparents of two. They are passionately involved in restoring a 120-year-old ranch. ❖ **Bob Curran's** new home is right outside of Yosemite National Park. He is semi-retired and manages his commercial real estate holdings and brokerage company. ❖ **Linda (Deats) Owen** retired after 37 years as coordinator of visual and performing arts for the Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District. ❖ **Ted Erler**, wife **Adrian (Kennedy) '66**, and their five children remain happy and healthy. Daughter **Alison '92** gave

them a new grandson, while daughter Emily Ann married Robert Hillhouse of Scotland. The newlyweds live in Austin, TX, where Emily is pursuing a doctorate in European history. ❖ **Carole (Gerard) Shay** owns Alaska Assistance Dogs, a non-profit organization that raises and trains service dogs in Alaska with an active teen volunteer program. She is pursuing a master's in counseling psychology, and plans to use service dogs in counseling and treatment of children and teens. Her husband has also returned to college. ❖ **Virginia (Gillespie) White** retired from a 30-year teaching career. She and sister **Suzanne (Gillespie) La Comb '57** moved to Maui and have made many friends. She loves golf, and enjoys having the time to sew, quilt, and do crafts. ❖ **Gail (Hinn) Gitt** has retired from Moreland School District, where she served as director of student services. She now works in Santa Clara, supervising student teachers and interns working on their credentials in special education. ❖ **Eileen (Wilson) Hayes** moved to Marana after living in Phoenix for 15 years. She has worked in adult education with Rio Salado College, and currently she coordinates the literacy and GED program at Lewis Prison. Last year, their staff of 25 helped over 1,000 inmates pass the TABE test. ❖ **Cortney Howell** is retired from National Defense and Machine Shops, after working 38 years in manufacturing and production control. Her new job is to stay healthy and enjoy time with family. ❖ **Nancy Hull** is teaching at Chemana Indian School, a federal B/A high school. ❖ **Joe Jennum** retired in 2003 and moved to Arizona. Last year, he became a first-time grandparent. ❖ **John Kemp** moved after 36 years. His daughter got married and his son is expecting a second child. ❖ **Paul King** retired after 34 years with LAUSD. He volunteers with Huntington Beach Police Department. ❖ **Toni (Leslie) Baker** serves on the Alumni Board. She retired from the Metropolitan Area Agency in 2002, and was appointed to the MW Board on Aging in 2003. Her husband **Blair '64** retired after 31 years with 3M. Their children and grandchildren live close. ❖ **Martie Lewis** works in healthcare. She enjoys the Northwest and making music with friends. ❖ **Bernadette McNulty** is a founding member of the National Organization for Women's first Southern California chapter. She works to protect abortion rights around the world and most recently worked for the San Bernardino

Health Department's family planning clinic. She attended the April 2004 abortion rights march in Washington, D.C. ❖ **Patricia (Neilson) Walworth** is retired and does ranch chores and volunteer work. ❖ **Janine (Newsom) Lyons** remarried in 2001. She loves spending time with her two grandchildren. ❖ **Karen (Peters) Anderson** continues to live a serene and interesting life in the back of nowhere, deeply influenced by her years at Whittier. ❖ **Pamela Schmidt** is a hypnotherapist in Anaheim and conducts stop smoking and weight reduction workshops for a number of cities community services department. ❖ **Sheri (Scott) Workman** attended daughter Julie's wedding, which included six out of their seven grandchildren participating. She and husband Bill are both retired and busier than ever. Their plan is to slow down and do some more traveling. ❖ **Ella (Stegenga) Jefferson** retired in 1997 and moved to Hemet in 2002. ❖ **Jon Straatemeier** works part time as a clinical laboratory scientist for El Camino Hospital and Truckee-Forest/Incline Village Hospitals near Lake Tahoe. He plans to move to his new house in Nevada City. Both of his sons attend college in San Diego, and, so far, he has two grandkids. ❖ **Sonja (Sunne) Ivarsen** is a retired school counselor; she owns Cat Dancing Antiques and Collectibles and reps for Carol Wilson, Oregon Artist Card Company. She lives in an old school house in Independence, OR, and has two Scottie Wheaten dogs. ❖ **Betty (Wakeman) Bidwell** retired from La Habra City Council as a middle school principal. She is now a National Trainer for Language. ❖ **Anne (Wilson) Giddings** is enjoying teaching 4th grade. The past year has brought her a third grandchild and a trip to London, her "17th trip across the pond!" She is still raising and showing German Shepherds.

1967

Class Agent: Mrs. Jane I. (Israel) Honikman
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Patty (Crome) Pena teaches English; husband Jorge owns a sign-manufacturing business. They are proud grandparents of two. ❖ **Robert Davis** works for AIG Consumer Finance Inc. in NYC. His job takes him to countries like Argentina, Poland, and places in Asia. He and wife Sharon have two daugh-

ters: one works in Honduras, the other teaches in Raleigh, N.C. ❖ **Leland Sun** is the secretary/treasurer of Conara USA Inc.

1968

Class Agents: Mrs. Barbara L. (Brucher) Sentell
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Debra Amidon's book, *The Innovation Super Highway*, published last December, with a local launch with Bentley College Model United Nations Program and an international launch at the University of Texas, Austin. She is now remarried to Dr. Clinton Ackerman and daughter Kendra is in college. Debra recalls many fond memories of her college days. ❖ **John Geer** and **Jerry Ockerman '68** represented Whittier College at the prestigious Langendorf Invitational Mile Race, held in Palo Alto, CA. They each placed in the top seven to garner the team championship. ❖ **Ray Hansink** has a private psychology practice in Mission Viejo, CA. He specializes in depression, anxiety, ADD, and relationship problems. ❖ **Linda (Jensen) Comstock** retired from teaching; her husband of 32 years also left the classroom to be a full-time Teacher's Association president, then he plans to retire as well. ❖ **Gabriela Kaplan** is included in the 21st edition of Who's Who in the World. Her work regarding the crisis of world overpopulation has been shared with world leaders and Nobel Laureates, which, in 1998, led the United Nations to formally recognize the urgency of this issue. ❖ **Susan (Neill) Spicer** lives in Yorba Linda, teaching 10 ballet classes a week. At last year's US Nationals, she placed third in Second-Level Dressage with her Arabian horse and earned the champion title in Arabian Dressage, Regions I and II.

1969

Class Agent: Ms. Sandy T. (Tahmouh) Hansen
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Brenda J. Furlong is managing director and head of fixed income for Columbia Management Group, Inc. ❖ **Kris (Bentson) Jennings** left teaching after 11 years in order to reestablish



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lish a school (a local one that had been closed) with a marine science focus. One son is a senior at UCSB, one a sophomore at UCLA in engineering and the last, a senior deciding between Berkeley or UCLA. Husband Jeff is an attorney and served as Malibu's mayor. ♦ **Doug Clark**, capitalizing on over 30 years in city government, launched DKC Associates, a consulting company. He and wife Marie travel extensively; son Philip works for Four Seasons Hotels. ♦ **Flo (Curran) Butterbaugh** lives in Long Beach and Palm Desert. She participates in Senior University at CSULA and is a "Fine Arts Affiliate," as well! ♦ **Ed Dobbyn** works for Lowe's in Seattle and loves it; "I'm now getting paid for a hobby." Daughter Heather has been married for nine years; daughter Becky is an RN, attending MGH, an affiliate of Harvard, for a master's in nursing. Wife **Kris '68** is "a great hostess and friend." ♦ **Tom Foster** and wife Sharon are well. Daughter Shannon attends Moorpark College. After seven years of study under Sensei Lance Kawasaki, Tom has earned a black belt in Okinawa Te Karate – "a lifelong dream finally accomplished." ♦ **Vince Fraumeni** is president of Fraumeni Consulting, which aids a variety of companies in fundraising and development efforts. Daughter Alisa was married in September. Daughter Holly is married and lives and works in Sacramento. Wife **Penny '68** continues as a school principal. ♦ **Stuart Greene**, married 26 years, has three daughters: one in college and a set of teenage twins. After grad school, his 16-year career in finance earned him a vice presidency in corporate and international banking. Another 16 years have been spent selling residential and investment real estate properties. "I'm still in touch with many Franklin brothers and am involved with classic cars and car shows." ♦ **Diane Harper** is in her 34th year of teaching for San

Gabriel Unified. Since 1990, she has been a volunteer puppy raiser for Guide Dogs for the Blind. Five of the ten dogs she raised went on to become working guide dogs. Her current "trainee" is Velvet, a black lab. She had a great time in 2001 and 2002, visiting China with other Whittier alumni through the school district. ♦ **Sharon (Hoke) Thomas** has two daughters graduating from college: one from Lewis and Clark in Portland and one from Gustavus Adolphus in Minnesota. She teaches the gifted in Iowa City. She is hoping to retire in 2006 and move west! ♦ **Mike Cooper** and his wife took an anniversary vacation to Tahiti and also visited Virginia Lakes. ♦ **Nancy (Howe) O'Connor** has spent 20 years in educational publishing—sales and consulting. She is the owner of O.W.L. Associates, a distributor of staff development materials on the west coast. Daughter Jennifer is a costume designer and wedding planner. Nancy's hobbies include golf, travel, gardening, and gourmet cooking. ♦ **Joy (Jacobson) Stack** is a cardiovascular risk specialist with Bristol-Myers Squibb. Husband Ed took an early retirement package from Hewlett Packard. Joy enjoys long distance cycling, skiing and traveling. ♦ **Eric Jahnke** is back in Santa Clarita at First State. Daughter Alexa is a senior and involved in basketball. ♦ **Donna Kendall** moved from her old house (built in 1750), to a "new" house built in 1850. She loves it in Charleston; her family is originally from there. She has one teenage daughter. ♦ **Joyce (Maltun) Brunelle** notes "this has been a strange year filled with great news and sadness." Their property development company, Brunelle Construction Group, Inc., could not be better. Daughter Alice is completing Harvard Medical School and has already launched her own bio tech company. Son **Beau '00**, is thriving at Barnes and Noble Bookstore. Son Len works in our business. "Dad's

recent death made this Father's Day a little sad. But, mom's still a treasure. Husband Michael has been a saint and he continues to bring sunshine into my life." ♦ **Ali Masalehdan** moved a few blocks away from their previous residence. Daughter Azadeh graduated from Tufts and is a research associate at Western Psych Institute (UPMC). Son Babak graduated from University of Pittsburgh with a major in math/computer science. ♦ **James Mistysn** has three children, one of whom married last June. ♦ **Gregg Munsell** teaches theater, movie, and television production and movie appreciation at Westminster High School. He received his master's degree in educational technology from National University in 2002. "The educational system of the United States did not crumble, but it was close." Wife Suzanne teaches and coaches speech. ♦ **Bill Ogle** and his wife and have lived on Maui since 1975. Their son attends Pitzer College, his big sister's alma mater. After 27 years, Bill traded a career in law for teaching; he is now an 8th and 6th grade social studies teacher at Lao Intermediate School. ♦ **Christine (Portugal) Gillette's** news is one word – RETIREMENT! After 32 years in education, 29+ in Special Ed as a teacher and administrator, she is now looking forward to a new chapter in her life. ♦ **Ed Shackelford** is directing mission work in the Philippines, living on the beautiful but rowdy island of Mindanao. He is looking forward to a trip home to visit with nine grandchildren! He and wife Luanne have a daughter and two sons—all single, but, since they are not planning to stay that way, there's potential for quite a few more. ♦ **Nelle (Schrubeu) Paegel** graduated from Whittier Law School as its first triple (quadruple if you count Broadoaks). Yeah! Tommy still plays hockey. Allison has a master's in counseling psychology and works as financial consultant. Tom is still coping. ♦ **Sinara (Stull) O'Donnell** remarks that 2003 was a very mixed year as they lost her mother in October. They escaped the tornadoes of May '03 but a subdivision about two miles from them was demolished. Her business, Sinara Speaks, is expanding nationwide. One of her *Wall Street Journal* articles was included in a job search book for broadcast journalists and her 2002 book, *Be The Star Of Your Life: Are You Ready For Your Close-Up?*, continues to do well. Husband John is consulting as a CPA and also works for Sinara Speaks. ♦ **Sandy (Tamoosh)**

Hansen's job as a consulting teacher ended due to drastic budget cuts at the California State level. So she returned to teach at Oswalt Elementary, Rowland Unified School District. She's "working with crazy second graders again!" Family news – all three of her children are now out of the house, living on their own. ♦ **Susan (Terry) Armstrong** lives in north San Luis Obispo and reports that husband **John '68** retired in June after 34 years of teaching at Atascadero High School. Their grown children, Luke and Hilary, visit often and they plan more traveling in the leisure time ahead. ♦ **Susie (Veatch) Pettis** traveled so much in 2002 (for education and fun), that she made gold with Alaska Airlines. She works three days a week, but since she works for herself, she must keep at "the front of the pack"! Her younger brother turned 50 last fall, so everyone went to Maui! The "Alaskan Whine" is – I want to go to Hawaii! ♦ **Lietta Wagner** substitute teaches for LBUSD and does tax preparation for H & R Block. She is treasurer for the Long Beach District United Methodist Women. ♦ **Robert Whiteman** teaches AP Biology at Esperanza High School and is still having a great time serving the Lord. ♦ **Kathy (Wulf) Holderith** has just published her book, *Using The Power Of Poetry To Teach Language Arts, Social Studies, Math And More* (Scholastic Professional Books). She has been teaching for 33 years and still loves it.

1970

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Jim Armstrong and wife **Vicki (Lee) '71** have two children. Jim is an assistant superintendent of curriculum and instruction. ♦ **Becky (Barnard) Wulfestieg** took early retirement after a 12-year stint as director and family support specialist for Pierce College's Head Start Program. Her son and daughter-in-law and four grandchildren live in Colorado and her daughter lives in Oregon. ♦ **Glenda "Gigi" (Boehm) Hilliard** teaches vocal development and piano at Whittier Union High School, Adult, grades 9-12. ♦ **Steve Christensen** teaches English at Sacramento City College; wife **Diane (McCrea) '72** is a librarian. ♦ **Denny Coville** retired from L.A. City Fire Department. ♦ **Cheryl (Ditfurth) Malooly** has been a speech/language specialist for over 30 years in the South Whittier School District. She has one

son and one grandson; she is active in dog sports, therapy dogs, and dog training. ❖ **Kathy (Edgar) Gould** is a stay-at-home mom, minus the kids, and is active in her church. Husband Charles works for Social Security; daughter Abigail graduated college; and son Joshua just began college. ❖ **Elaine (Escobar) Cox** has worked in the Fullerton School District off and on for 34 years. She has two children: daughter Claire just made her a grandmother, and son Joe is studying business administration. ❖ **Maura Greeley-Adamo** reports that her daughter, who graduated from 6th grade at Broadoaks in the first class, attends Rio Hondo College and plans to transfer to Whittier in her junior year. ❖ **Doug Grisham** and wife **Susan (Smith) '70** live in Illinois, where he is a State Farm Insurance agent and she manages the three Curves for Women Fitness Centers they own. Their daughter is graduating college, while their son is just entering. ❖ **Steven Herrington** is Superintendent of Schools in Santa Cruz County, spearheading a voter school bond with 74% "yes" vote.

❖ **Arnold Koch** is in his fourth year at an Indian School as an Ed. Specialist. He just completed his 33rd year as a wrestling coach, leading the team to a state championship a few years ago.

Gerri (Levy) Fewster is director of commercial property management for Waters, Inc. ❖ **Teri (Spence) Varbel** is a kindergarten teacher in San Rafael, CA; she has two sons in college. ❖ **Leslie (Troy) McClure** owns her own company, and has three sons, including Whittier grad **Jaason '02**.

1971

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Marcia Ladendorff, after 22 years in TV news, has settled into academe; she teaches and takes honors students on international trips. She has a college-age daughter and a son in high school. She is working on a master's in English and eventually plans to teach overseas. ❖ **Isaiah Sanders** is assistant principal for Pomona High School. ❖ **Dena (Turpen) Deck**, an educator with Stephen Foster Elementary School in Lakewood, was named "California Science Teacher of the Year" for the 2002-2003 academic year.

1972

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Gary Martin writes that in April, after

32 years, and spending the last ten months as Interim Chief of Police, he retired from the Culver City Police Department and is now director of church relations at Hope International University in Fullerton.

1973

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Don Albert, after 25 years flying for TWA and American Airlines, returned to teaching. He earned a M.Ed. from Lidenwood University and is now a 6th grade "technology" teacher in Missouri's Jennings School District. He and wife Cynthia and have a daughter and son. ❖ **Deborah (Boice) Hoover**

one born with the genetic disorder trisomy passed away after only four days. Fred remains a devout Christian.

❖ **Jeanette (Peel) Croghan** returned to Whittier after a 17-year absence to live closer to her four children. ❖ **Rene Pulliam** is an associate professor of theater at the University of Mississippi.

❖ **Dennis Stinson** moved to the U.K. nearly two years ago and runs a successful bed and breakfast. He encourages anyone from Whittier to visit. "Hello to all my Franklin brothers!"

1974

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has two children. ❖ **Edna (Brindley) Moore** has three children and is a vice principal. Her husband **Joe '73** is a managing director for MONY Group.

❖ **Richard Buck** is self-employed and has two college-age children. ❖ **Robert Clemmons** has two daughters: one attends Biola, daughter **Cara '06** chose Whittier! ❖ **Barbara (Coulson) Davis** is a microbiologist at St. Mary Medical Center in Long Beach. Her daughter is completing a master's in conservation biology in New Hampshire; her two sons work for biotech firms. ❖ **Cary Covington** is an associate professor of political science at University of Iowa; he has three children. ❖ **Mary Jo Curry** received an M.S. in education from Cal State Fullerton with a specialist credential in reading. She teaches at Long Beach City College. ❖ **Sherri (Frederiksen) Stinson** is a clinical laboratory scientist, and runs a lab in Beverly Hills. Her daughter **Kimberli '02** teaches at Broadoaks through the graduate program; daughter **Ashleigh '06** is an Athenian, just like her mom!

❖ **Fred Hagan** has been in publishing for nearly a quarter century, mostly in sales management. He was blessed with four grandkids; sadly, though,

Bud Barela was profiled in Lake Tahoe's *Daily Tribune* for his impressive 30-year passion for marathon running. Since graduation, Barela has run 63 marathons, runs an average of 50 miles a week, and hasn't missed a day of running since 1984. He works in marketing for Marriott Timber Lodge in the Tahoe area, where he lives with wife Kathy. ❖ **John Glenn** is a major in the USMC. For two years, he has taught in Okinawa at Kadena Middle School, the best school system in the country. ❖ **Lawrence Winthrop** has recently been appointed to be a judge to the Arizona Court of Appeals. He plays guitar and is working on his second D of acoustic folk music.

1975

Class Agent: Mrs. Luann M. (Leal) Macdonald

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Robert Odou teaches social studies and coaches tennis at San Jacinto High School in California. He is married and is the father of four children; 22 years, 18 years, 15 years, and 4 years. ❖ **Donnajean (Stewart) Matthews** married in 2001 and moved back to

Whittier. She is director of library services at the Southern California College of Optometry.

1976

Class Agent: CLASS AGENT NEEDED

Denise (Beyers) Ash is a fourth grade teacher for the Loomis Union School District. She has three sons and has been married to husband Brian for 20 years. ❖ **Paul McNulty** is an executive vice president for Strategix, LTD.

1977

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Catherine (Burke) Caples is married, has three children, and is a senior and volunteer services director. ❖ **Kathleen (Olesiuk) Hilton**, husband Richard, and their two young children moved to San Marcos. ❖ **Shari (Rogo) Carruthers** and husband John have two children; she works as a personal assistant.

❖ **Andrew Stadler** has been married over 15 years and lives in Rio de Janeiro, where he's president of the Brazilian branch of Aegon Insurance, a Dutch company with offices all over the world. ❖ **Kathy Sure** left her 23-year private law practice, where she specialized in union labor law, to become an administrative judge for the State of California. Her daughter is now eight, and they are very busy with her school and outside activities.

1978

Class Agent: Mrs. Dottie J. (Blaha) Pendleton

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Carolyn (Salazar) Robledo lives in La Habra and has taught art in the El Rancho Unified School District for 25 years. Daughter **Jessica '05** took a semester of study in Spain.

1979

Class Agent: Miss Marina Muñoz
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Stanton, CA 90680-2927

Michael Natalie and wife Cindy have been married nearly 25 years, living in Oceanside for the last 16. Michael works in sales for a Hormel Foods Corporation division. "If you can't find my on my boat at Lake Mead, you'll find me swimming, cycling, and jogging my way toward yet another triathlon race." ❖ **Roxanne (Smith) Wright** has been married for 12 years;



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husband Gary is a sound editor for Disney feature films. She has taught third grade for almost a decade and is involved in the LAUSD Nutrition Network, a program recently profiled in *Whole Life Times* magazine. She loves travel, especially to Paris.

1980

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Linda Hendrix-Prunier enjoys genealogy research. She discovered that her ancestor was a captain in the patriot army and a friend of George Washington, and she was recently accepted into the Daughters of the American Revolution. Son Tommy and daughter Shannon both graduated from high school.

1981

Class Agent: Mr. Ralph M. Dayton
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Lynette (Dockstader) Smiley, husband **Frank '79**, and their three sons moved to Maui, where Lynn is now director of the Maui Cancer Clinic. ❖ **Patrick Mathews** and family live in Santa Cruz. His hobbies include archery, swimming, gardening, and making home improvements. ❖ **Dean Ward** is an administrator for an orthopedic practices and surgery center in Tucson, employed through Health Inventures, LLC.

1982

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1983

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1984

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Harold Allen, Jr. traded an 11-year career with Bristol Meyers Squibb for an opportunity with Novartis Medical Nutritionals. ❖ **Sam Cardenas** and wife **Carla (Hudock) '85** have three children. She teaches 7th grade science; he sells industrial equipment in Mexico and Arizona. ❖ **Gary Day**, married with five children, lives in Chino Hills and is an assistant principal at Sonora High School in La Habra. ❖ **Paula (Fortson) McVay** married and has a 6-year old daughter. She is an L.A. County probation officer. ❖ **David Fowler** lives in Alexandria, VA, and is the controller of the naval district of Washington D.C. ❖ **Valentine (Houche) Iamartino** resides in beautiful New England with three kids and husband Joe. ❖ **Mary Leinsteiner** is a retired PE teacher and a stay-at-home mom, living with her three children on one acre in the foothills of the sequoias. She is also pursuing a master's degree. ❖ **Howard Lopez** has been living and raising his kids in Las

Vegas for over a decade. ❖ **Debra (Lozano) Cacho** has been teaching elementary school for over 20 years. She and husband Daniel are kept "very busy" by their two teenagers.

❖ **Lawrence Nevis**, a member with the Army National Guard, was deployed for Operation Iraqi Freedom, where he earned a meritorious achievement award medal; in December 2003 he returned from active duty status. Prior to active duty, he made a career change and now serves as a deputy sheriff. ❖ **Mark Pellegrino** has two new additions to his "plethora" of progeny; the new totals are six kids and one grandkid. He has a new job in advanced advertising. ❖ **Mark Peter** teaches ESL to kids in the public schools of Sumter, SC. He has been able to put to use his poly-sci degree by working for the campaigns of Dr. Alan

Keyes (president, 2000), Joe Grimaud (congressman, 2003), Mark Sanford (governor, 2003) and Jim DeMint (senator, 2004). He is also trying to raise a team to return to China and teach English. ❖ **Jeffrey Smith** married Ann Kulis, has two sons, and lives in Vermont, where he is a middle school guidance counselor. He received his master's in 1990 and spent several summers as a seasonal law enforcement ranger in Yellowstone. ❖ **Kellie Williams** completed her MBA program and works as a learning and development manager for State Farm Insurance.

1985

Class Agent: CLASS AGENT NEEDED

Bill Ayares continues his great passion for travel and exploration, visiting his 62nd country (Malta) this year. He has also visited 272 of the US National Park sites on his way to trying to visit all 38 NPS sites. He resides outside Atlanta,

GA, and enjoys hearing from his former classmates. ❖ **Vince Daigneault** was invited to join the Whittier College Board of Trustees. He had the opportunity to attend his first trustee meeting in May and really enjoyed the experience.

❖ **Richard Louis III** was promoted to Captain (Reserve) at the Monterey Park Police Department. ❖ **Margaret (Meadows) Pinupo** is a dentist in Coronado, CA, where husband David is currently stationed on the staff command Pacific Float. ❖ **Eric Olson** lives in Mammoth. His daughter is set to graduate from high school in 2005. ❖ **Jim Waddell** is enjoying his career as a public safety officer for Emerald Bay in Laguna Beach. Also, he is enjoying watching pre-teen son James play Division 1 tackle football.

1986

Class Agent: Mrs. Lisa A. (Hoffmann) Abbate
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1987

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Alicia (Fowler) Blalock has two sons and is a budget analyst for the City of Salem. ❖ **Rob Hansen** is vice president of InQuira Inc.

1988

Class Agent: Mr. Kevin M. Burke
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Hawthorne, CA 90250

Anne (Shupek) Miller and husband Brad live in La Habra, where she is a 5th grade teacher for the Hacienda/La Puente Unified School District. This is her 11th year of teaching and she loves almost every minute of it! ❖ **Matthew Moon** works with First National Bank of Santa Fe, where he was recently promoted to vice president and chief of information technology. ❖ **Joel Whisler '88** and wife **Stacy (Stonehocker) '89** live in La Mirada, CA. Joel is a choir and piano teacher and was recently nominated for the Bravo Award!

1989

Class Agent: Shannon (Walker) Mooers
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Shannon (Walker) Mooers lives in Menifee, CA, and is a price book analyst



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in Circle K, Inc.'s West Coast Business Unit (when she is not attending to her Class Agent duties!) ♦ **Rebecca Rasko-Valdez** is in her 12th year of teaching elementary school in the Tustin Unified District. ♦ **Dianna (Avalos) Scudari** lives in Pasadena, where she works at the school where both of her daughters attend. ♦ **Linda (Bennett) Newman** has three children and works in occupational therapy services in Juneau, AK. ♦ **Thomas Bienz** has three children and is a corporate partner/surgeon at Gem City Bone & Joint. ♦ **Vibeke Brask** is taking time to relax after a car accident that left her in recovery for 6 months. She moved to Maryland and absolutely loves her new place and her new roommate. ♦ **Jeffrey Curley** is the head athletic trainer/instructor at Adrian College in Adrian, MI. ♦ **Carrie (Durden) McAfoos** moved to Virginia, where she is working on an extended consulting project for one of QCSI's partner clients. ♦ **Jeanne (Florance) Yamashiro** is busy in Rancho Murieta, CA, where she and husband Kyle own a gym and a physical therapy clinic. ♦ **Eric Gothold**, when not teaching at Washington Middle School in Pasadena, is busy making music along with **John Murdy '89**, **Charles Van Steenburgh '89**, **Steve Lauson '91**, and **Ed Rosencrans '89**. Together they are known as "The Hugs." ♦ **Darcie (Guy) Olson** lives in Costa Mesa and volunteers with Amnesty International in Orange County. ♦ **Sabine Hartmann** earned a Ph.D. in sports medicine and biochemistry and is a research assistant at the Institute of Sports Medicine, German Sports University. She also teaches English, geography, and biology. ♦ **Pamela (Hill) Park** is a community involvement manager in London, England. ♦ **Elizabeth (Magnum) Lakes**

became a foster parent and works at Smile Preschool in Roxbury, MA. ♦ **Darin Mekkers** has two children and is a general manager at Sports Chalet. ♦ **John Murdy** served as creative director for the new Universal Studios ride "Revenge of the Mummy," which opened at the Hollywood park in June '04. ♦ **Lourdes (Ramboa) Makarewich** is director of human resources for the California School of Culinary Arts in Pasadena. ♦ **Rebecca (Rasko) Valdez** is in her 12th year of teaching and loves every minute of it! ♦ **Sarah St. John** lives in Albuquerque, NM, and works for the Department of Veterans Affairs. ♦ **Vernon Stinebaker** is married, has one child, and lives in China. ♦ **Peter Weidenfeld** still lives in Las Vegas and continues to practice interventional radiology. ♦ **Chris Whitaker** lives in Chino Hills, CA, and has been a sales manager for Triangle Distributing for over a decade. When he's not working, he's golfing!

1990

Class Agent: Mr. Kevin H. Marshall
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Ron Pardini's annual Halloween event, "Haunted Vineyard," marked its third anniversary with praise from critics and haunt-goers alike. Held on the historic Guasti Vineyard in Ontario and considered by locals to be a "Halloween staple," the event is the product of Pardini and partner Steve Cotroneo's special-effects company, CFX Studio. ♦ **Lorri (Porr) Sabban**, husband Ariel, and their two boys live in La Jolla, near the beach. She is very much enjoying being a full-time mom.

1991

Class Agent: CLASS AGENT NEEDED

L. Mercer Borden IV lives in New York City and is a vice president of K2 Advisors L.L.C., a company based in Connecticut that is a leading fund of hedge funds manager in the investment industry. ♦ **Rob Cioe** has one son and owns his own business.

♦ **William Cranmer** is head athletic trainer at St. Mary's College of Maryland.

♦ **Bill Erickson** is a principal consultant; he and wife Gayle have one set of twins. ♦ **Robert Guy, Jr.** and wife Sydney have two children; he is a partner at Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis, PLLC. ♦ **Kim Hoffman** has traveled the world and is doing a job that would surprise most of the people who knew her. She is an Emmy-nominated TV producer, which she finds hilarious.

♦ **Steve Matthiasson** has two children and is vice president at Premiere Viticulture. ♦ **Ryan Rowlands** works at the US Embassy Guatemala, Unit 3318; he is married and has one child. ♦ **Wendy (Salter) Adams** and husband **Brent '92** have two children; she is vice president for The Partner Agency. ♦ **Barry Simpson** has three children and is happily married. He is a superintendent/principal at an elementary school.

♦ **Rebecca Totaro** is an assistant professor of English at Florida Gulf University. She is also the English Program coordinator and chair of the Humanities and Art Division. ♦ **Stacy (Yakubik) Rocheleau** has three children and is a founding partner at Rocheleau Law Group, P.C.

1992

Class Agent: Mrs. Susan M. (Turner) Rose
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Kimberly (Hill) Shotwell and her husband just had their first baby; she is working on her Ed.D at USC. ♦ **Isabel (Ziegler) Sanden** and husband Derek bought a home in the Seattle area and took a short sabbatical to tour Europe. She was promoted to the management development program with Ortho-McNul and continues to work in the Seattle area.

1993

Class Agent: Mrs. Allison L. (Clarke) Ittershagen
2957 Stonebridge Trail
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Rocio (Centeno) Moreno is an elementary school teacher in El Monte,

and lives in Glendora with her husband and young son. She plans to return to school for a master's degree. ♦ **Julie (Corsentino) Hansen** is a licensed clinical social worker and vacationed with husband David in Spain, France, Cuba, and Argentina. ♦ **Sanjay Das** is a self-employed financial planner.

Phil Hickey moved to Europe in 1996; he is a musician and part-owner of a second-hand bookstore. ♦ **Adam Kaplan**, a nationally certified professional in human resources, was promoted to HR manager with the private, non-profit agency that operates the Los Angeles County Museum of Art.

♦ **Dennis McGonagle** is an elementary school teacher and has passed the midway point in his MFA program at Cal State Long Beach. ♦ **Christopher Minier** joined The Law Offices of Todd Ringstad, a bankruptcy law practice in Irvine, CA. He and wife Michelle recently had their first child, Daniel. ♦ **Peter Pepperell** lives in Eugene, OR, with wife **Jennifer Deitch '94** and their two daughters. Jennifer is in an Oregon State University Ph.D. program in counseling education; Peter telecommutes full time as a computer programmer.

♦ **Maria (Sanchez) McCullough** had her first baby; she moved from 3rd grade teacher to literacy coach. ♦ **Yvonne (Torres) Hess** is director of compensatory education at La Serna High School in Whittier. ♦ **Shelley (Vaught) McDonald** moved to Pennsylvania.

1994

Class Agent: Ms. Robin Lynn Hickin
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Sherman Oaks, CA 91403

Robin Lynn Hickin lives in Sherman Oaks, CA, and works for the Cheesecake Factory's development department, where she conducts the management training program. ♦ **Joseph Aliani** lives on Long Island with wife Patricia. He celebrated his third anniversary in practice and is working on a master's in clinical nutrition. ♦ **Heidi (Barker) Moawad** is in her third year as a deputy district attorney in the drug and vice division for Multnomah County, OR. She and her husband are proud godparents to Everett Stimler, son of **Dave '97** and **Dina (Van Klaveren) Stimler '95**. ♦ **Timothy Biby** was recently promoted to Medical Center Rep., covering the L.A. County Healthy System for Roche Labs. Son Blake is six years old. ♦ **Megan Brenner** received her medical



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degree from the Medical College of Virginia and is completing a surgical residency at USC. ♦ **Dustin Brunson** and wife Sharon married in 1995 and moved their successful nursery business to a 1901 farm. They continue to travel as much as they can. ♦ **Claudia Bustillos** graduated in 2003 with a master's in counseling from the University of La Verne and is currently living in Diamond Bar, CA. She is a children's social worker for Los Angeles County Dept. of Child and Family Services, as well as a part-time counselor and parenting instructor at YWCA WINGS Domestic Violence Shelter and Outreach Program. ♦ **Jill (Clark) Meiburg** moved back to Germany where she and husband Thomas work for Deutsche Telekom AG. ♦ **Harry Estes** graduated with his master's in education from Whittier in 2002 and teaches special education at Whittier High School. **Crissey '94** is a stay-at-home mother to their three sons, and home-schools her oldest. ♦ **Michelle (Fischler) Pak** and husband Josh are living in Pocatello. He is a chemistry professor at Idaho State University and she is a planner with the City of Pocatello. ♦ **Heath Hamilton** traded his eight-year career with FedEx for a sales position with Frito-Lay. ♦ **Monica (Insuasti) Santana** received a master's in social work and her PPS credential; she is now a school social worker for the Los Angeles Unified School District. ♦ **Sean Lilly** remarks that things have been strange in the "Capital City" since the World Trade Center. ♦ **Michelle (Linsman) Ang** now teaches first grade. Her husband **Dennis '88** entered an MBA program at Irvine, and they enjoy watching their daughter grow everyday. ♦ **Chris Martin** and family live in the Chicago suburbs where he is Commissioner of the College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin NCAA Division II Athletics

Conference of eight schools. Chris also serves as the chief financial and compliance officer, oversees all 21 championship events, and coordinates public relations efforts. ♦ **Bob Morikuni** is head boys varsity basketball coach at McKinley High in Hawaii. He was named Conference Coach of the Year for 2004. ♦ **Stephanie Orff** co-produced her third feature film, *Neverland*, which played at film festivals around the country. ♦ **Jennifer (Prottas) Lowe** is director of a Children's Day Treatment program in the Pasadena area. ♦ **Morgan Smith** and **Marie (Krubski) Smith** enjoy working on their new house in Whittier. ♦ **David Stelmach** is nursing a surgically-repaired achilles tendon (rupture), an injury that occurred while "running with the bulls" in Pamplona. ♦ **Rachel Stoff** is the program manager of L.A.'s mobile clinic for dogs and cats, a free service to low-income families. ♦ **Julie (Terral) Seewald** is still teaching 2nd grade. She and her husband have two boys, Keegan and Kody, and she notes: "I am proud to be married to a military man who is helping our country!" ♦ **Malia Urie** moved to Hawaii in late January 2003 and loves it. She takes yoga and stained glass classes and teaches art to children at the Honolulu Academy of Arts World. ♦ **Cedrick Wallace** is now dean of students at Garfield High School in East L.A., where, for seven years prior, he taught special education. In the evenings he works with Independent Studies Lab for Garfield Adult School. Cedrick holds a master's in special education and a preliminary credential in adult education. ♦ **Trisha (Williams) Dulken** is happily married with two beautiful children, Haley and Logan. Holding a preliminary administrative credential, she teaches in the Norwalk/ La Mirada School District and is working on her master's in education.

1995

Class Agent: Ms. Nanette M. Do
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Shuaib Abdul-Aziz is married with one child. ♦ **Brian Balleweg** is a Beverly Hills police officer. ♦ **Jiten Bhatt** is married, a physical therapist at Kaiser Permanente, and an L.A. homeowner. ♦ **Jamarr Brwon** has been a sales rep, sales trainer, marketing product manager, and sales manager with Allergan Pharmaceuticals. ♦ **Joseph Cascio** and wife **Karin (Thompson) '95** have two daughters. ♦ **Alex Fino** lives in L.A. and has a successful career in advertising. As a hobby, he can be found spinning house music every Friday night at Shane in Santa Monica and as a regular guest DJ at Tabu at MGM Las Vegas. ♦ **Dan Glavin** is finishing an MBA program at USC and is looking into investment managing or investment banking as a future career. Currently he works at Yahoo! as a senior business analyst, where he is developing financial models for the company to manage costs and track profitability. Additionally, he studied international business in Japan and China. ♦ **Doug Holcomb** and wife **Brenna (Werner) '97** live in the San Francisco Bay Area. He works in management for Penske Truck Leasing, and she is a speech pathologist at the Veterans Hospital in Yountville. They still enjoy playing basketball together and are building a vacation home in the Tahoe National Forest. ♦ **Karen Maness** moved to Austin in 1999 to work as the resident scenic artist at the Performing Arts Center at University of Texas, Austin. She teaches graduate and undergraduate courses in scene paintings for the Department of Theater and Dance. This summer she is also studied figure painting and anatomy in Florence, Italy. ♦ **Rhonda (Ross) Ries** moved to St. Louis with husband Jeff and works at a Washington University lab that focuses on leukemia (AML) research. She also began a master's program in biology while Jeff is pursuing a master's in divinity at a Lutheran seminary. She writes: "Son Spencer continues to be a blessing and keeps us busy!" ♦ **Kate Ross-Smith** earned a Ph.D. in environmental sciences at the University of Virginia and is currently living outside Sutter Creek, CA. ♦ **Dina (van Klaveren) Stimler** moved to Berkeley with husband **Dave '97** and son Everett. Dave is a clinical pharma-

cist at the Children's Hospital Oakland, and Dina began studies at an Episcopal seminary.

1996

Class Agent: Miss Seraphine A. Gott
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Jonathan Arnett is completing a master's in technical communication at Texas Tech University and wishes he could live closer to the ocean. ♦ **Patricia Barker** writes: "We purchased our first home. I am pursuing National Board Certification for Teachers and Jose is attending National Forensics Academy under an Academy sponsorship." ♦ **Kimberly (Bates) Matura** graduated from Arizona State University with a master's in social work. ♦ **Mark Beylerian** is a sales manager for his family's business. ♦ **Amy (Birch) Uhlik** has been with Glaxo Smith Kline for five years, in pharmaceutical sales. ♦ **Tresha (Browers) Marshall** was promoted to executive director of sales operations and syndication contracts for Sony Pictures Television Domestic TV. She still sees **Helen Han-Lee '96**, who was also promoted in Sony's International Television Division. ♦ **Steven Connor** is a realtor and a loan officer. ♦ **Karen Grissette** is in Washington, D.C., studying language for her next foreign service post: Athens, Greece. ♦ **Rachel (Homel) Rice** is an English teacher and year-book advisor for Madison High School in San Diego. ♦ **Andrew Huffaker** teaches 5th grade and is working on his master's in education at Whittier College. ♦ **Tina Ibanez-Yates** married **Brian Yates '97** six years ago; she is practicing employment law in Pasadena. ♦ **Alex Koers** is an English teacher at Rowland High School. ♦ **Heidi (Lake) Sellers** is in Colorado's Rocky Mountains, enjoying her second summer of wildlife biology fieldwork. She is studying forest burns and bird populations for USGS. Last winter, she worked for LSA, a Riverside-based environmental consulting company, monitoring large construction projects for paleontological evidence. She is still fixing up her house in the mountains and recently made the decision to go to graduate school. ♦ **Darci (McLaughlin) Duncan** is working as an office/billing manager for a cardiologist. ♦ **Ian McMullin** won a scholarship to attend the MBA program in finance and technology at the University of Michigan School of Business. ♦

Thomas Savage, while assigned to the Okinawa-based Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262 –the “Flying Tigers”– participated in a joint training exercise with the Australian military during Crocodile Freedom 2003. ♦

Collene Smith is an accountant with the State of Colorado. She is also raising her eight year-old niece. ♦ **Amber**

Wallace is a pediatric physical therapist for Orange County’s California Children’s Services. In the past year, she bought her first home and competed in her first Olympic distance triathlon in Maui, on behalf of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. ♦ **Christie Whaling** teaches business and computers at Oxford Academy in Cypress, CA.

1997

Class Agent: Mrs. Anna (Warren) Boersig

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Mt. View, CA 94043

Mania (Alemian) Mirroknian is a consultant at Trammell Crow Company.

♦ **Heidi Badger** is taking time off to travel through Europe. ♦ **Hay Cheam** married and is a resident physician at UC Davis Medical Center. ♦ **Chadwick Collins** is married and has one son. He is an assistant vice president for Merrill Lynch. ♦ **Monique (Dorado) DeVoe** married and has a new son. ♦ **Melissa Dougherty** is a self-employed musician, teaching guitar. She is in a band, creating soundscapes, and she released a solo CD in March 2004. She went to Europe for four months and had a great time. ♦ **Brad Downey** and wife

of Family and Preventive Medicine. He continues to serve as director of the Forced Migration Laboratory at the UCSD Center for Comparative Immigration Studies. In his free time, he sits in the Board of Directors of the United Nations Association of San Diego and is an active member of the La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club.

♦ **Mark Hoogs** has one child and is working on his MBA. ♦ **Sylvi (Korhonen) Gonzalez** is a realtor and has a daughter. ♦ **Nancy (Stewart) Grove** lives in Huntington Beach with her new husband and works for an orthodontist. She enjoys visiting her Palmer Sisters every year.

1998

Class Agent: Mr. Kris D. Seryani
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Houston, TX 77006

Leslie (Ratcliffe) moved to Budapest, Hungary, after graduation, where she completed a master’s in international relations and European studies. She now lives in Chicago and is an information manager and development research trainer with an international philanthropic consulting firm.

♦ **Kristen (Olsen) Turner** and husband **Erick ‘98** have a three year old son, Jake. Erick is in law school, and Kristen teaches kindergarten at a local Catholic school.

1999

Class Agent: Ms. Leigha J. Lucas
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Exhibitions, was profiled in L.A. Weekly, who claimed the Silver Lake artist’s ideas will “revolutionize radio.” Cain discovered the FCC permits anyone to transmit a low-frequency radio signal that travels about one-quarter mile. Now he’s put up transmitters all over L.A., allowing radio stations to select and broadcast a show simultaneously downloaded from the Internet. ♦ **Lisa Conlan** is a registered nurse in the intensive care unit at Children’s Hospital of Los Angeles and pursuing a master’s degree for pediatric nurse-practitioner. She is engaged. ♦ **Dionna (Dallas) Geiser** married husband Charles in 2000 and bought a house in Peoria, AZ. She currently works in marketing/sponsorship for the Arizona State Fair. ♦ **Curtis Galvin** and wife **Katie (Burns) ‘01** moved to Kennasaw, GA, and purchased their first home. ♦ **Kristin (Helms) McDaniel** and husband **Evan ‘94** live in Aliso Viejo. She is a second grade teacher at St. Margaret’s Episcopal School in San Juan Capistrano; Evan works for DirectTV in Los Angeles. ♦ **Gifford Lindheim** is a teacher at Venice High, where he also coached the football team to a championship game played at the L.A. Coliseum. ♦ **Adam Pava** has written scripts for MTV Animation, Cartoon Network, and the Jim Henson Company’s Muppets. He currently has a computer-animated movie in development for the company that made *Ice Age*. ♦ **Julie (Pennington) Gates** does PR for Microsoft; husband **Bill ‘98** is senior manager for Bed, Bath and Beyond. ♦ **Greg Steele** earned a doctoral degree in optometry. He shares a private practice in San Diego, and plans to launch a national lecture tour to teach optometrists about computer vision syndrome. ♦ **Dr. Brandon Valeriano** earned a Ph.D. in political science and taught one year at Vanderbilt University before settling as an assistant professor at Texas State University (formerly Southwest Texas). His research focuses on the causes of war and peace. ♦ **Jasmine Van den Heuvel** earned a master’s degree in fine arts and lives in New Mexico. ♦ **Yumi Yamazaki** earned a master’s in social work from the University of Illinois, Chicago.

2000

Class Agent: Ms. Mala M. Williams
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Aaron Leavey earned a master’s in psychology from Pepperdine University

and moved on to a PhD program. He interns at DiDi Hersch Community Mental Health Center, where he works with foster children in South Central L.A. ♦ **Sean Riordan** completed two years of study and travel in the Middle East; his program was in Arabic studies through the American University in Cairo. He then taught in Honduras.

2001

Class Agent: Ms. Natalie Neavez
421 West Keene Drive
La Habra, CA 90631

Lisa Ayre-Smith is working to become a self-employed marketer for Solar Energy Companies. ♦ **Bonnie (Burch) Wetmore** lives in Beaumont, has two sons, and teaches in Banning, CA.

♦ **Elizabeth (De La Paz) Cruz** earned a M.Ed. from Whittier College and plans to teach 3rd grade. She and husband Ruben also purchased a full-service hair salon in Uptown Whittier. ♦ **Peter Maksimow** is pursuing an advanced degree in athletic administration at Springfield College, graduate alma mater for both friend **Tyler Fleming ‘99** and former Athletic Director Dave Jacobs. ♦ **Natalie Neavez** is a behavior consultant in La Habra. ♦ **Erica Ortiz** is pursuing a career in acting and is very busy with her production company, producing and starring in a T.V. pilot. She periodically comes to visit her Metaphonian sisters. ♦ **Daisy Pinedo** works for the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences, helping to put on the annual Grammy Awards, among other duties. She is also pursuing an acting career and has moved to Beverly Hills. ♦ **Amber Tapia** and fiancé **Harold Herndon, Jr. ‘01** reside in Bellflower. ♦ **Luis Turcios** is head basketball coach at Beverly Hills High; in a recent edition, the *LA Times* profiled his childhood, his tremendous turnaround of the team, and his highly-regarded career. ♦ **Aubri Webb** and her fiancé bought a home and have two dogs.

2002

Class Agent: Ms. Sarah C. Hayman
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Whittier, CA 90601-3264

Cecilia Amo attends Southwestern Law School and works for a west L.A. civil litigation/personal injury firm whose cases deal with everything from wrongful termination to corporate law to “slip and fall.” ♦ **Christine Apostol** is an assistant site coordinator for the



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Laura are both elementary school teachers. He’s still active in field lacrosse and box lacrosse. ♦ **Jedediah Gilchrist** married and is a tech support supervisor for Portland Public Schools. ♦ **Nate Goetz** is a clinical instructor of health policy with the UCSD’s Department

Leigha Lucas has begun a master’s level clinical internship at Kaiser Permanente’s Hidden Lakes Medical Center in Colorado. ♦ **Sarah (Bakke) Knudsen** is married and “misses her Whittier friends!” ♦ **Jeff Cain**, technical consultant for Los Angeles Contemporary

Learning Connection and has plans to join the Saddleback Community Choir. **Luke Bash** is a Peace Corps Volunteer serving in Tlaxgumeng, South Africa—"a land without the Internet." He's assigned to an education, community development, and HIV/AIDS education program and offers math seminars to local teachers.

Jami (Bouza) Mendoza teaches children with learning disabilities.

Deirdre Brownell finished her internship and plans to take the ATC boards.

Michael Burns is a youth pastor with Kent Island United Methodist Church and was promoted to director of Youth Ministry by the Easton District in the Peninsula-Delaware Conference. **Jazmin Chavez** received her secondary teaching credential and master's in education in August 2003. **Anna Cole** joined the Air Force and lives in Turkey.

Bianca DiJulio works for Seattle Mental Health Hospital as a counselor/case manager for adults with mental illness and developmental disabilities.

Jennifer Estabrook lives in Whittier and works in Santa Fe Springs, supervising payroll for RPM Transportation.

Abraham Flores coaches NCAA Division I Track and Field for Monmouth University, NJ. **Diana Guy** moved to Nevada and is still working for the American Red Cross. She is trying to stay cool despite the 118 degree heat and the negative humidity. **Sarah Hayman** began student teaching in the Whittier Unified High School District. **Claudette Marco** is a part-time student at Whittier Law School. During the summer, she interned for a criminal defense attorney in downtown L.A. **Michal Merraro** spent two months in Israel visiting family. She then moved back to San Francisco ("always a SF hippie at heart") to pursue a master's degree in philosophy of religion at the California Institute of Integral Studies. **Aileen Ramis** worked for a labor union after graduation, and then at an import/export company. Now she is a real estate agent. **Akiko Wagatsuma** and teaches high school English in Japan. **Rebecca Wolf** was promoted to editor-in-chief of the *Alpine Sun*, a weekly newspaper in San Diego.

2003

Class Agent: CLASS AGENT NEEDED

James Bailey is an account executive at Bailey Lithographics. **Marleena Coulston** teaches music at U.C.I. Farm

Elementary School and sings professionally with a cover-band. She recorded background vocals for a Spanish Christmas Album produced by Total Performance Entertainment and Sanctuary Studios in Los Angeles.

✧ **Nicole Ecklund** is an executive assistant at Raptor Networks Technology, Inc. ✧ **Jennifer Estrada** lives in Hacienda Heights. ✧ **Sean Gatzten** works in logistics at Expeditors International. ✧ **Diana Hernandez** is pursuing a master's in social work at CSU, Sacramento. ✧ **Grant Hernandez** plans to take the CBEST and teach.

✧ **Ryan Liebling** is in the corporate training program for licensed personal bankers at Wells Fargo. ✧ **Dinny Lumanau** is a property tax consultant at Deloitte & Touche LLP in Costa Mesa. ✧ **Bernice Madariaga** is a senior clerical assistant for Downey Adult School. She is also writing for personal pleasure and plans a trip to Prague. She misses everyone and Whittier but hopes to return someday to further her education. ✧ **J.R. Maupin** is senior supervisor of the emergency department admissions, Cedars Sinai Hospital, and lives in Redondo Beach with **Sean Gatzten**. ✧ **'03 and Andy Wilcox '03**. ✧ **Veronica Miller** works at Broadoaks while completing her M.Ed. at Whittier.

✧ **Rosemari Ochoa** moved to San Juan, Puerto Rico, for the American Red Cross via AmeriCorps. ✧ **Elizabeth Peek** works in the hospitality and marketing trailer for a drag race team. ✧ **Sarah (Reid) Chisholm** has two children and is a fourth grade teacher in Claremont. ✧ **Dina Reynoso** had a baby and entered the credential/master's program at National University; she will graduate in 2005. ✧ **Johana (Silvestre) Campos** is married and had a baby.

✧ **Sara Victor** is engaged and works at Northwestern University's Institutional Review Board. ✧ **Veronica Weber** is a case manager for Arizona's Department of Economic Security (Child Protective Services). ✧ **Christine Wilborn** is an art student studying interior design.

2004

Class Agent: CLASS AGENT NEEDED

Hovig Artinian is teaching 7th and 8th grade science at Booker Washington Middle School in Baltimore City through Teach for America. His program began with 5 weeks of training at New York's Fordham University, where he gained experience teaching biology at JFK High School.

IN MEMORIAM: POETS

'21 **Doris (Condon) Bear**, February 11, 2003.

'26 **Joseph Cook**, June 17, 2003.

'27 **Anna Dozier**, August 27, 2003.

'27 **Marcia Fennesy**, February 7, 2002.

'28 **Hazel (Ross) Berry**, December 20, 2001.

'28 **Ralph Walton**, August 20, 2000.

'30 **Elizabeth (Green) Haworth**, date unknown.

'30 **Rowena Heine**, in 2003.

'30 **Margaret (Hellman) Paggeot**, date unknown.

'30 **Howard Payne House**, August 1, 2003.

'30 **Katherine Juday**, February 5, 2003.

'30 **Terrace (Shafer) Enders**, date unknown.

'31 **Eugenia (Grensted) Jenkins**, February 23, 2002.

'32 **Helen (Bewley) Hathaway**, July 7, 2004.

'32 **E.M. "Shorty" Long**, June 27, 2003.

'32 **John Maxson**, May 19, 2002.

'32 **Mary Fae (Moffett) Pickering**, September 7, 2003.

'32 **Donald Nelson**, August 8, 2003.

'32 **Frank Patterson**, January 1, 2004.

'32 **Mabel (Springer) Dismuke**, December 21, 2002.

'32 **Paul Winget**, June 1, 1999.

'33 **Lamar Coward**, February 19, 2001.

'33 **Carmel Ling**, February 9, 2004.

'33 **William Krueger**, April 27, 2002.

'33 **Imogene (Sproule) Jones**, April 7, 2003.

'34 **Ruth (Beardwood) Draxler**, January 16, 2004.

'34 **Leona Bloomer**, May 15, 2003.

'34 **Mabel Bumgardner**, January 22, 2003.

'34 **Fay (Connell) Layne**, August 30, 2004.

'34 **Elizabeth (Prose) Hamilton**, June, 2004.

'34 **Clinton Harris**, May 7, 2003.

'34 **Kenneth Hawkins**, June 24, 2003.

'34 **Ruby (Reeves) Hilleger**, January 1, 2004.

'34 **Evelyn (Johnson) Krueger**, June 24, 2003.

'34 **Virginia (Knott) Bender**, June 13, 2003.

'34 **Louis Valla**, July 29, 2003.

'34 **Elva (Votaw) Rosowski**, March 9, 2003.

'35 **Blanche (Barnes) Clarke**, April 15, 2003.

'35 **Lucile Buchanan**, January 3, 2003.

'35 **Charles Kemp**, May 4, 2003.

'35 **Charles Kendle**, May 1, 2003.

'35 **Dorothy (Little) Stevenson**, July 4, 2004.

'36 **Virginia (Perkins) Heck**, September 23, 2004.

'36 **Ellyne (Mallers) Mason**, January 25, 2004.

'36 **Lauretta (Meller) Wood**, May 26, 2004.

'36 **Velma (Neeley) Tompkin**, October 16, 2001.

'36 **Edward Savage**, November 26, 2000.

'36 **Genevieve (Williams) Gilson**, January 10, 2003.

'37 **Elizabeth (Parker) Daniels**, date unknown.

'37 **Marion (Pfister) Ebert**, July 26, 2003.

'37 **Ted Tsuchio Terada**, December 10, 2001.

'37 **Rachel (Thomas) Whisenhunt**, August 21, 2004.

'38 **Doris (Carpenter) Bakaly**, April 1, 2003.

'38 **Chester Halley**, August 11, 2003.

'38 **Nancy (Snortum) Culbertson**, in January of 2004.

'38 **Helen (Thomas) Smeds**, June 22, 2003.

'38 **Frank Winnburg**, March 1, 2003.

'39 **Frank Beagle**, December 9, 2002.

'39 **Eleanor (Brooks) Tucker**, May 12, 2004.

'39 **Elisabeth Doggett**, February 26, 2004.

'39 **Mary B. (Ellingsworth) Almond**, July 28, 2003.

'39 **Dorothy (Fowler) Bruff**, July 9, 2003.

'39 **Tom Lovell**, August 21, 1996.

'40 **Steven Gardner**, October 3, 2003.

'40 **Calvin Hoskins**, October 5, 2003.

'40 **Henry Lacy**, September 12, 2002.

'40 **Ruth Louise Partridge**, date unknown.

'40 **Alice (Saunders) Cusick**, May 29, 2003.

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'41 **Walter Blume**, November 30, 2000.

'41 **Georgia (Lodter) Cates**, February 1, 2003.

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'42 **Clare Butler**, January of 2004.

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'42 Ruth (De Vries) Christiansen, April 17, 2003.
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'42 Phyllis (Rettig) Kruger, May 20, 2004.
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'42 Velma (Ramsey) Scott, October 14, 2003.
'43 Ruth Hain, August 19, 2003.
'43 Frances (Jones) Timberlake, date unknown.
'43 Mary (King) Flint, March 29, 2003.
'43 Marjorie (Smith) Stout, in September of 2004.
'43 Thelma (Sprague) Allen, May 3, 2003.
'43 Ivan Welborn, October 17, 2003.
'44 Marianne (Corbett) Bierwagen, date unknown.
'44 Jean (Gordon) Gillespie, in November of 2002.
'44 James Williams, January 11, 2003.
'46 Dorothy (Hill) Andrews, date unknown.
'46 Evelyn (Sayer) Gresch, January 8, 2004.
'47 Cecile (Koogler) Nichols, May 28, 2003.
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'48 Nancy Knox, May 22, 2003.
'48 Neal Wright, January 31, 2003.
'49 William Branca, February 4, 2004.
'49 Benson Duff, August 8, 2003.
'49 Beulah (Graham) Edgar, May 23, 2001.
'49 Leland Kulzer, June 19, 2003.
'49 Kenneth Rawlinson, October 2, 2004.
'49 William Smith, May 8, 2003.
'50 J. Rodney Anderson, April 3, 2003.
'50 Glenn Evans, June 12, 2000.
'50 Robert Ferguson, March 29, 2004.
'50 Jack Frost, October, 2003.
'50 David Gault, January 1, 2003.
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'50 Grace (Hanson) Curtis, May 30, 2003.
'50 Lorena (Hobson) Clifgard, June 17, 2004.
'50 Patricia (Lyons) Leonard, date unknown.

'50 John McInerney, August 4, 1998.
'50 Marjorie (Moir) Cofer, August 25, 2003.
'50 Harry Sherick, in 2003.
'51 Janice (Dirlam) Rathje, May 20, 2004.
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'53 Ardis (Stewart) Greene, October 26, 2004.
'54 Robert "Bob" Capps, October 11, 2004.
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'60 David Oliver, October 13, 2003.
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'66 William Campbell, in May of 2003.
'66 William MacBeth, date unknown.
'66 Cheryl (Matoon) Snowdon, June 5, 2003.
'66 Billie Jo (Thoburn) Johnstone, February 13, 2003.
'67 Kate Szal, June 26, 2004.
'68 Rick Smith, July 2004.
'69 Mildred (Gibbons) Fink, date unknown.
'69 Timothy Mills, September 30, 1997.
'70 Cynthia (Elliott) Renger, November 23, 2002.
'71 Kathy (Feather) Deckard, in December of 2001.
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'73 Arlene (Hallin) Meeker, February 26, 2004.
'73 Gary Towell, February 12, 2004.
'75 Janet Reese, January 24, 2004.
'78 Alwood Begay, February 24, 2004.
'79 Louis Santa Maria, June 21, 2004.
'90 Monica (Montoya) Bibian, June 1, 2004.
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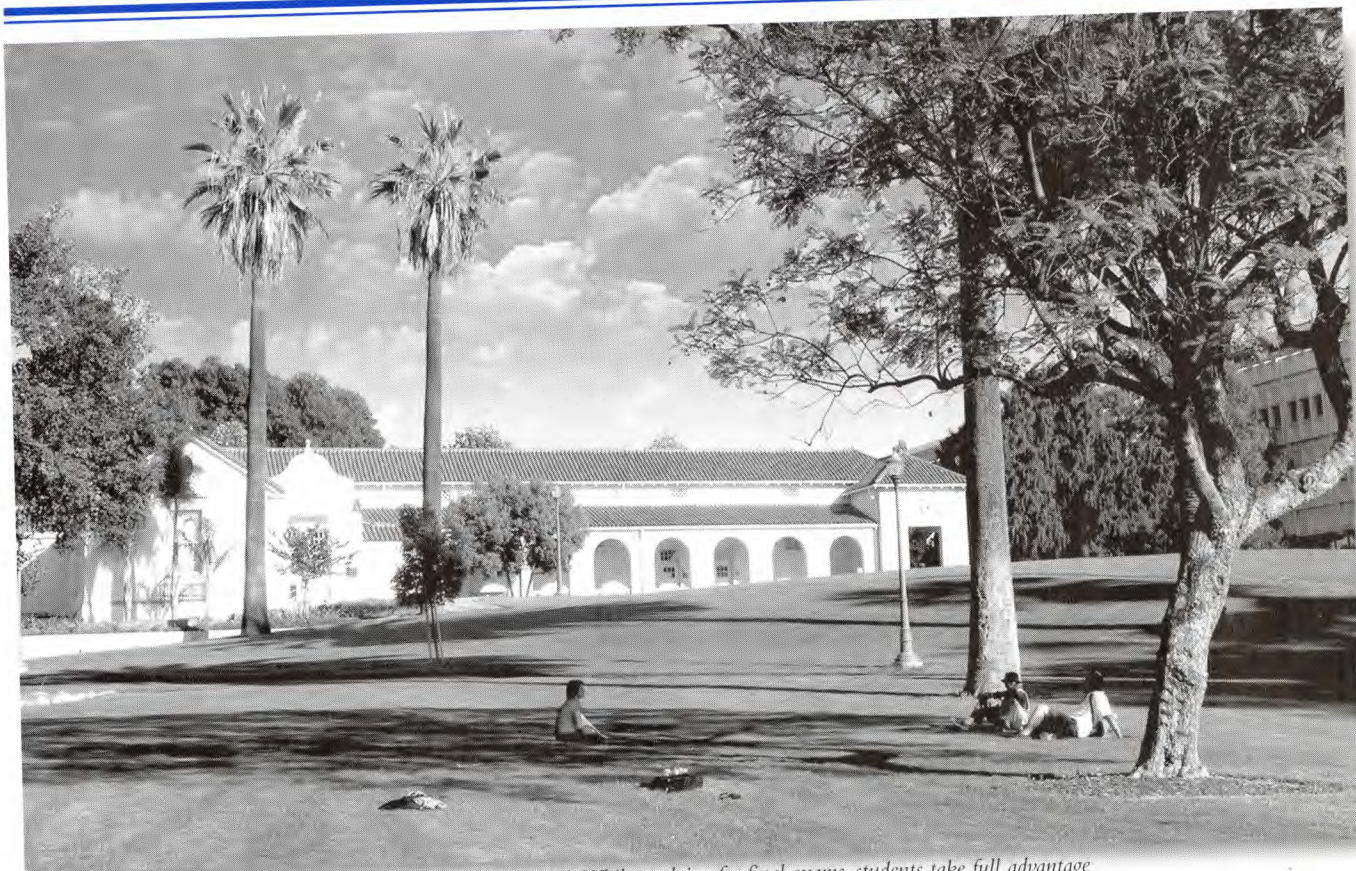
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